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P R E F A C E

The first edition of this bibliography on George Washington and Agriculture was issued in September 1931 in anticipation of requests for information on the subject incident to the celebration of the bicentenary of Washington's birth. The demand for copies on that occasion, as well as since then, has demonstrated the usefulness of the compilation, not only for its original purpose but also as a source of references on general agricultural conditions during the last half of the eighteenth century.

In the preparation of Edition 2 the card catalogs of the U.S. Department of Agriculture Library and the Library of Congress have been systematically consulted, and the following indices have been used: the Agricultural Index, 1916-February 1936; A. P. C. Griffin's Bibliography of American Historical Societies (Ed. 2, Washington, 1907); Grace Gardner Griffin's Writings on American History, 1906-1930; Industrial Arts Index, 1913-February 1936; the International Index to Periodicals, 1920-February 1936; Poole's Index to Periodical Literature, 1882-1906; Readers' Guide to Periodical Literature, 1900-February 1936; and Readers' Guide to Periodical Literature Supplement, 1907-1919. The abbreviations used are those prescribed in U.S. Department of Agriculture Bulletin 1330.

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INTRODUCTORY NOTE

Washington's great aspiration was to be a successful farmer. Having settled at Mount Vernon in 1759, each time he was called to his country's service he left his farming with greater reluctance. During the long and trying years of the American Revolution and also later during his presidency he constantly looked forward to the day when he could lay down his public duties and return to Mount Vernon. In 1788 he wrote to Arthur Young, then the foremost exponent of improved agricultural methods in England, that "The more I am acquainted with agricultural affairs, the better I am pleased with them; insomuch, that I can no where find so great satisfaction as in those innocent and useful pursuits. In indulging these feelings, I am led to reflect how much more delightful to an undebauched mind is the task of making improvements on the earth, than all the vain glory which can be acquired from ravaging it, by the most uninterrupted career of conquests." Similar expressions of this view are found throughout his correspondence and are attested by the incidents and observations recorded in his diaries.

In his attitude toward agriculture, Washington exemplified the spirit of scientific research. His farming was remarkable in that he did many things advocated by agriculturists of today. He worked to conserve his soil and check its erosion, he diversified his crops, and he pioneered in using new machinery until Mount Vernon became a veritable experimental farm. In attempting scientific farming his task was not easy. Today any farmer in America can get technical information and suggestions by writing the United States Department of Agriculture, the agricultural college or experiment station of his State, the local county agent, or one of the many farm journals, but Washington had no such aids. Only a few at that time were interested in improved methods, and he had to seek facts by experimenting and by corresponding with members of a small group in England, led by Arthur Young and John Sinclair, who were making careful studies and publishing their findings. Extensive notes among Washington's papers indicate how carefully he read the writings of these men.

Washington's interest in agriculture was not limited to Mount Vernon. His wide travels throughout the colonies and his acquaintance with the leading agriculturists of Europe as well as America gave him a comprehensive understanding of the importance and needs of agriculture in the Nation he did so much toward creating. Washington had a vision of an empire of farms west of the Alleghenies, and he led in the efforts to improve transportation facilities between the headwaters of the Potomac River and those of the Ohio in order that the farmers who settled in the West could have a market for their crops. In his last annual message to Congress he recommended the creation of a board of agriculture to collect and distribute information on improved methods of agriculture and "by premiums and small pecuniary aids to encourage and assist a spirit of discovery and improvement." The Nation had to wait many years for the executive department which he envisioned.

Washington gradually added to his inherited holdings, and at one time or another he owned some 69,615 acres of land in thirty-seven localities, together with twenty-four city lots and one whole square. However, the Mount Vernon estate, comprising approximately 8,077 acres and divided into five farms and woodlands, received his major attention. In connection with this estate, he operated a fishery, a ferry, and two grist mills.

Conserving the soil and checking its erosion were of first importance in Washington's mind throughout the years following the Revolution. When looking for a new manager he demanded that the man must be, "above all, Midas like, one who can convert everything he touches into manure, as the first transmutation toward gold; in a word, one who can bring wornout and gullied lands into good tilth in the shortest time." He experimented with various fertilizers and used marl and muck from the Potomac River bottom on some of his fields. Mechanical difficulties, however, prevented spreading river mud as fertilizer on a large scale. Noah Webster said that at the time of his visit to Mount Vernon the standing toast was "Success to the mud!"

In the early 1760's, Washington, like all other planters in lower Virginia, specialized in tobacco. In 1759 he made 34,160 pounds of it, and in 1763, 89,079 pounds; by 1773, however, the amount had dropped to 5,000 pounds, and during the course of the next fifteen years he practically discontinued raising it. He realized that continuous single cropping would destroy the fertility of the soil and turned to other crops. By careful seed selection, he developed a very good strain of wheat. In commenting on the flour made in his mills for shipment to plantations in the West Indies, he stated that his was as good in quality as any produced in America. He experimented with new crops and procured seed from other colonies and England. As early as 1760, he sowed lucerne, known today as alfalfa. He was interested in clovers and grasses, not only as a means of conserving the soil, but also to provide feed for his livestock.

Of special concern to Washington was the improvement of the drills used in his time. Soon after he settled at Mount Vernon he "Fitted a two Eyed Plow instead of a Duck Bill Plow," but the results were not satisfactory, and a little later, he "Spent the greater part of the day in making a new plow of my own Invention." He recorded that "She answered very well." Later he imported an improved Rotherham or patent plow from England.

Washington's observations in the northern colonies while leading the army during the Revolution turned his attention to the desirability of keeping more and better livestock. He was, according to his own account, the first American to raise mules. Soon after the War for Independence he asked the American representative in Spain "to procure permission to extract a Jack ass of the best breed," but exportation of these animals was at that time prohibited. The King, however, in 1785, sent him two jacks and two jennets. One jack died on the way but the other arrived safely and was appropriately named "Royal Gift." This animal was later taken on a tour of the Southern States. In 1786 General Lafayette sent Washington a jack and two jennets of the Malta breed.

Washington greatly improved his sheep, increasing the wool production to 5-1/4 pounds as the average fleece, whereas his neighbors seldom clipped 2 pounds. His records show that he had about six hundred sheep in 1793. In his efforts to improve his flock, he found the restrictions on the exportation of breeding animals from the Mother Country a decided drawback. In a letter to Arthur Young, he said: "But the great impediment is the British statutes; these discourage men of delicacy in this country, from attempting what might involve the master of a vessel in serious consequences, if detected in the breach of them. Others, however, less scrupulous, have attempted to import English rams with success, and, by this means, our flocks, in many places, are much improved--mine, for instance, though I never was concerned, directly nor indirectly, in the importation of one, further than by buying lambs which have descended from them."

Washington believed records were essential to successful farming. During his years at Mount Vernon he kept a diary in which he recorded the happenings of the day, his agricultural and other experiments, a record of the people who came to visit him, and a detailed account of the weather. With this last information he hoped to draw conclusions as to the best time for planting various crops. He also kept a cash memorandum book, charge account books, mill books, and a special book for the accounts of the estate of his stepchildren. When away from home he required his manager to send him detailed weekly reports. These contained daily weather data, the work done on each farm, what each person was doing, the losses and increases in livestock, and other similar matters. In return he wrote weekly letters containing inquiries, directions, and corrections.

Had the custom of designating the best farmers as master farmers existed in Washington's day, he would have been one of few in all America entitled to that distinction. Certainly he stands in the forefront of the leaders to whose vision, determination, and judgment America owes its rapid progress in agriculture.

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WASHINGTON'S AGRICULTURAL WRITINGS

BROOKE, WALTER EDWIN, editor. The agricultural papers of George Washington. 145 p. Boston, R.G. Badger. [1919]. (1)

Comments:

This collection includes letters from Washington to various persons on agricultural subjects, extracts from his diaries, farm reports, etc., compiled "for the sole purpose of elevating and dignifying agriculture by showing the intelligent interest and application of what were in George Washington's time only the crude principles of what is now modern and scientific agriculture." A map of Washington's farms at Mount Vernon faces p. 81.

CONWAY, MONCURE DANIEL, editor. George Washington and Mount Vernon; a collection of Washington's unpublished agricultural and personal letters...with historical and genealogical introduction. (Long Island Hist. Soc. Mem., v. 4). 352 p., illus. Brooklyn, N.Y., Long Island Hist. Soc. 1889. (2)

Comments:

George Harnah, "Washington's Agricultural Letters," in *Old and New* 5:224-227 (February 1872), also gives information and excerpts from Washington's correspondence with William Pearce, superintendent of his estate at Mount Vernon from Aug. 26, 1793 to May 6, 1798. The letters are in the possession of the Long Island Historical Society.

Reviews:

"Farmer Washington," in *Nation* 50:300-301 (Apr. 10, 1890).

FITZPATRICK, JOHN CLEMENT, editor. The diaries of George Washington, 1748-1799. 4 v., map. Published for the Mount Vernon Ladies' Association of the Union. Boston and New York, Houghton Mifflin Co. 1925. (3)

Comments:

For material on agriculture in these volumes, consult the index in volume 4 under such headings as the following: apple orchard; apple punice scowd; apple trees; apples; apricot trees; ash trees; asparagus; aspen trees; asses, jack; barley; barn; barrel sowing; barrel, or barrel plow; barrel planter; Bartram, William; beans; Bloxham, James; Bordley, Beale; botanical garden, Mount Vernon; boxwood trees; buckwheat; Bullskin plantation; cabbages; canal, Potomac company; carrots; cattle; corn; etc. V. 1 covers the years 1748-1770; v. 2, 1771-1785; v. 3, 1786-1788; and v. 4, 1789-1799.

Reviews:

Samuel Flagg Bemis, in *Amer. Hist. Rev.* 31:540-543 (April 1926). Claude G. Bowers, in *Lit. Digest Intl. Book Rev.* 4:18-20, illus. (December 1925). Worthington C. Ford, in *Nation* 122:209 (Feb. 24, 1926). Everts B. Greene, in *Polit. Sci. Quart.* 41:291-294 (June 1926). William MacDonald, in *Saturday Rev. Lit.* 2:477 (Jan. 9, 1926).

FITZPATRICK, JOHN C. George Washington, colonial traveller, 1732-1775.
416 p., map. Indianapolis, Bobbs-Merrill. 1927. (4)

Contents to be noted:

Ocean voyage; a wilderness message and his first war, 1751-1755,
p. 34-69.

Defeat; fame; a frontier command, 1755-1757, p. 70-112.

The farmer burgess, 1758-1760, p. 113-153.

Plantation life; 1761-1764, p. 154-184.

Mount Vernon days, 1768-1769, p. 185-221.

Western lands, 1770, p. 258-270.

The Ohio River journey, p. 271-283.

Comments:

A compilation of extracts from Washington's diary, account books, letters and other papers arranged chronologically with editorial notes.

"This volume is the record of Washington from the day of his birth until June 15, 1775, when his life as a Colonial gentleman definitely ended...[It]...supplies the first and hitherto missing record of this character, in Washington's life. In building it up every available record within reach of the author was consulted and every authentic source drawn upon. Because of the difficulty in accumulating trustworthy information as to Washington's early years such data as were unearthed have been used in their entirety with the unexpected result that a substantial revision of the hitherto accepted story of Washington's boyhood is necessary.... Few inhabitants of Colonial America travelled the country so widely or so continuously as did George Washington.... With this volume, and the two by Mr. [William Spohn] Baker, we now have, for the first time, the continuous record of Washington's life, from his birth to his death, a record of basic fact which is the foundation framework of every biography or history of George Washington."— Prefatory note.

Reviews:

Claude G. Bowers, in *Nation* 126:157 (Feb. 8, 1928).

———, editor. The writings of George Washington from the original manuscript sources, 1745-1799. Washington, U.S. Govt. Print. Off. 1931- (5)

Comments:

In commenting on this edition, Albert Bushnell Hart wrote: "Surely no public man in history is better known than George Washington. He has been the subject of over 400 biographies, and his diaries, letters and papers fill thousands of printed pages. The greater part of the approximately 20,000 letters he wrote have been preserved in the original or in signed copy.... A considerable section of the Library of Congress is devoted to his manuscripts, and another section contains his own writings and various works about him and his time."— *Current Hist.* 35:687-689 (February 1932).

See also John C. Fitzpatrick, "The Significance to the Historian of the New Bicentennial Edition of the Writings of George Washington," in *Amer. Hist. Assoc. Ann. Rpt.* 1932:99-103.

Reviews:

Edmund C. Burnett, in *Amer. Hist. Rev.* 39:535-539 (April 1934).

Wayne E. Stevens, in *Miss. Valley Hist. Rev.* 20:410-411 (December 1933).

[FORD, WOITTINGTON CHAUNCEY, editor]. Washington as an employer and importer of labor. 78 p. Brooklyn, N. Y., Privately printed. 1889.

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Contents to be noted:

Introductory note, p. 5-23.

Contracts, agreements, etc., p. 25-46.

Importing Palatinas, 1774, p. 47-73.

Advertisements of runaway servants, p. 74-75.

Form of indenture or covenant for servants, p. 75-78.

Comments:

See also W. C. Ford, "Washington as an Employer of Labor," in Nation 49:227-228 (Sept. 19, 1889).

——— Wills of George Washington and his immediate ancestors. 210 p. Brooklyn, N.Y., Historical Print. Club. 1891.

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Comments:

See also R. Walton Moore, "The Wills of General and Mrs. Washington," in Sunday Star (Washington, D. C.), Feb. 21, 1932, p. 10.

——— The writings of George Washington. 14 v. New York and London, G. P. Putnam's Sons. 1889-1893.

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Contents to be noted:

Consult the index for references to material on Washington as a farmer.

Comments:

"In a check-up of the Ford Edition with the Washington Papers in the Government's possession, one is instantly impressed with its completeness. Apparently all of the more important letters and papers of Washington himself being included, the chief omissions being merely of letters to Washington from rather unimportant persons...."- L. E. Sears, in his George Washington, p. 523 (New York, 1932).

"Should supersede that of Sparks, as being a rigidly accurate reproduction of the text. Mr. Ford's editorial work has been done on the basis of long familiarity with the subject, as well as of fullest knowledge, exceptional judgment and critical discernment, and a fair-minded spirit; and it is marked by painstaking accuracy and lucidity of language."- J. N. Larned, in his Literature of American History.

MARTIN, LAWRENCE, editor. The George Washington atlas. History of the George Washington Bicentennial Celebration, 1:371-444. Washington, D.C., U.S. George Washington Bicentennial Commission. 1932. (9)

MARTIN, LAWRENCE, editor. Continued.

Contents to be noted:

Washington's own map of all his farms at Mount Vernon, drawn in 1793, p. 381.

The River Farm in 1766, the plan of Lawrence Washington's turnip field in 1748, the sketch of part of the estate near the Mansion House and Little Hunting Creek about 1747, by Washington, p. 382.

The Dogue Run Farm as mapped by George Washington in 1799, p. 383.

The Union Farm about 1787, by Washington, p. 384.

Roads leading to the Ferry Landing in 1790, and part of the map of the roads from Mount Vernon to Pohick church and to Cameron, by Washington, p. 385.

Four maps of the Mansion House grounds, p. 386.

Washington's map of his boyhood home, p. 388.

Map of Bath or Warm Springs, now Berkeley Springs, West Virginia, showing lots 58 and 59 upon which Washington built a house, and a facsimile of the indenture under which he bought the land, p. 389.

Washington's survey of his land on Four Mile Run, Virginia, and a tract on the Potomac near Pawpaw, West Virginia, p. 400.

Washington's map of the Potomac River near Harpers Ferry with his comments on its navigability, p. 401.

Washington's maps of his lands on the Great Kanawha River, p. 402.

Map of three tracts of Washington's land on the Ohio River in West Virginia between the mouths of the Great and Little Kanawha rivers, by Washington in 1787, p. 404.

Map of parts of Maryland, Pennsylvania, and West Virginia, to illustrate plans for water transportation from the Atlantic Seaboard to the Mississippi Valley, p. 405.

The localities in New York, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Kentucky, West Virginia, the District of Columbia, Maryland, and Virginia where George Washington owned land, together with indication of the acreage in each tract, p. 428.

List of maps made by George Washington, p. 432-437.

Comments:

A collection of eighty-six maps on fifty plats including twenty-eight maps made by George Washington, seven used and annotated by him, eight made at his direction, or for his use or otherwise associated with him, and forty-three new maps concerning his activities in peace and war and his place in history.

Practically all of these maps were also issued separately with the title, The George Washington Atlas (Washington, D. C., U.S. George Washington Bicentennial Comm., 1932. 50 plates).

Reviews:

E. W. G., in Geogr. Jour. 84:168-169 (August 1934). Charles Moore, in Amer. Hist. Rev. 38:378-379 (January 1933). Geogr. Rev. 22:502 (July 1932).

SPARKS, JARED, editor. The writings of George Washington; being his correspondence, addresses, messages, and other papers, official and private; selected and published from the original manuscripts; with a life of the author, notes and illustrations. 12 v., illus. Boston, Harper & Bros. 1834-47. (10)

Comments:

"This was for years the standard set of Washington's works, but it has to a certain extent been superseded by Ford's edition. Sparks followed the copies of Washington's letters as they were found in his letter book. Discrepancies between the copies and the originals as preserved caused charges that the editor had made wilful alterations in addition to 'editing' the letters. He explains his method in the preface to the second volume. On the ensuing controversy, see pamphlets by Sparks, Lord Mahon and Wm. B. Reed."— J. W. Larned, in his Literature of American History.

"The first considerable publication of Washington's writings was the twelve-volume edition of Jared Sparks, ...of which the first volume was a life of Washington, Volumes II. to XI. mainly letters, while volume XII. included speeches, messages, proclamations, and addresses during his presidency, together with some forty miscellaneous letters, 1759-1798, agricultural papers, etc. For half a century this collection of Washington's writings was the chief source of knowledge about him and inevitably gave tone to the common conception of his life and character. Of the editorial deficiencies of Sparks, aptly characterized by Dr. Fitzpatrick as an 'editorial hypnosis', it is perhaps sufficient here to say that the liberties he took with his texts were for the most part such as editors of that period regarded as not only their privilege but their duty."— Edmund C. Burnett, in Amer. Hist. Rev. 39:535-536 (April 1934).

WASHINGTON, GEORGE. Fac similes of letters from His Excellency George Washington, President of the United States of America, to Sir John Sinclair, bart., M.P., on agricultural and other interesting topics; engraved from the original letters, so as to be an exact fac simile of the hand-writing of that celebrated character. 72 n., facsimis. Washington, F. Knight. 1844. (11)

Comments:

Facsimiles of eight letters, dated from Oct. 20, 1792, to Nov. 6, 1797, are included. They give information on what Washington thought about woodland, fallow fields, domestic animals, methods of farming, etc.

Edition 1, published with the title, Letters from His Excellency George Washington, President of the United States of America, to Sir John Sinclair, bart., M.P., on Agricultural, and Other Interesting Topics (London, W. Bulmer & Co., and sold by G. and W. Nicol, 1800. 57 p.).

The eight letters, copied from the originals in the British Museum by William Smith, appear under the title, "Washington on Agriculture," in Mag. Amer. Hist. 21:330-338 (April 1889).

[WASHINGTON, GEORGE.] Last will and testament of George Washington, of Mount Vernon: the only authenticated copy, full and complete embracing a schedule of his real estate, and explanatory notes thereto by the testators; to which is added important historical notes, biographical sketches, and anecdotes. ([U.S.] 62d Cong., 1st sess., Senate Doc. 86). 66 p., illus. Washington, 1911. (12)

Comments:

Senate Document 86 is a reprint of the second edition of an unofficial pamphlet published in Washington in 1868, by A. Jackson, and in Wilmington, Del., in 1876, by W. H. Newton. Its claim to be "the only authenticated copy" of Washington's will is not well founded. A copy authenticated by the certificate of the county clerk of Fairfax County, Va., was printed in Alexandria, Va., in 1800, and a considerable number of other publications have been made. The transcription is poor and the notes are obsolete and erroneous. See p. 30-33 for a schedule of the property comprehended in the will, and p. 44-66 for notes of the publisher.

Letters and recollections of George Washington. Being letters to Tobias Lear and others between 1790 and 1799, showing the first American in the management of his estate and domestic affairs. With a diary of Washington's last days, kept by Mr. Lear. Illustrated from rare old portraits, photographs and engravings. 289 p., illus. New York, Doubleday, Page & Co. 1906. (13)

Comments:

For a summary, see Walter L. Fleming, "Washington as Housekeeper and Farmer," in Dial 41:237-238 (Oct. 16, 1906).

This collection has been variously printed and entered. The introduction of this edition is signed by Mrs. Louisa Lear Eyre, Tobias Lear's granddaughter. In 1857 an edition was issued by Richard Rush with the title, Washington in Domestic Life.

The letters to Lear were privately printed under the title, Letters from George Washington to Tobias Lear; with an appendix containing miscellaneous Washington letters and documents; reprinted from the originals in the collection of William K. Bixby, of St. Louis, Mo.; With introduction and notes by William H. Samson (Rochester, N.Y. [Genesee Press] 1905. 102 p., illus.).

Reviews:

Amer. Hist. Rev. 12:897-898 (July 1907). Nation 83:285-286 (Oct. 4, 1906).

Letters from His Excellency George Washington, to Arthur Young, esq., F.R.S., and Sir John Sinclair, bart., M.P., containing an account of his husbandry, with his opinions on various questions in agriculture; and many particulars of the rural economy of the United States. 128 p., Alexandria [Va.], Printed by Cottom and Stewart, and sold at their bookstores in Alexandria and Fredericksburg. 1803. (14)

Comments:

The letters are dated from Aug. 5, 1786 to Nov. 6, 1797.

Also a London edition in 1801, sold by W.J. and J. Richardson.

WASHINGTON, GEORGE. Letters of George Washington bearing on the negro.
Jour. Negro Hist. 2:411-422. October 1917. (15)

Letters on agriculture from His Excellency, George Washington, President of the United States to Arthur Young, esq., F. R. S., and Sir John Sinclair, bart., M.P., with statistical tables and remarks by Thomas Jefferson, Richard Peters, and other gentlemen, on the economy and management of farms in the United States. Edited by Franklin Knight. (Half-title: Farmers' souvenir. Washington's agricultural correspondence.) 198 p., illus., map. Washington, The Editor; Philadelphia, W.S. Martien [etc.]. 1847. (16)

Reviews:

Andrew Jackson Downing, in his Rural Essays, p. 427-431 (New York, Leavitt & Allen, 1854). See Citation 47.

Washington and the West; being George Washington's diary of September, 1784, kept during his journey into the Ohio basin in the interest of a commercial union between the Great Lakes and the Potomac River, ... commentary... by Archer Butler Hulbert. 217 p., illus., maps. New York, Century Co. 1905. (17)

Contents to be noted:

Introduction, p. 1-24.

Washington's diary of September 1784, p. 25-105.

Washington and the awakening of the West, p. 107-199.

Comments:

The illustrations are as follows: "Washington's Mill" on Washington's Run, near Pittsburgh, Pa., built 1774-75, frontispiece; Map of Washington's western tour, September 1784, p. 32; Map of Washington County at the time of Washington's tour, p. 48; Braddock's Road, p. 132; Plan of Washington's farm in Great Meadows, near Farmington, Pa., p. 137; Washington's map of the country between the Potomac and Youghkegony rivers, 1784, p. 184.

The diary is reproduced from the original MS. preserved in the Library of Congress.

Washington's agricultural notes. Amer. Almanac 1830:99-114 (18)

Contents to be noted:

Directions to the manager of his farms in the neighborhood of Mount Vernon given in December 1799, a few days before Washington's death.

Particular directions for cultivating the crops on the River Farm for the year 1800.

Washington's plan for rotation of crops as illustrated by four tables which apply to one farm of 525 acres which was divided into seven fields.

Extract from the agricultural journal for April 1786, in which Washington kept from day to day the principal operations on his farms, the state of vegetation, and other particulars.

WASHINGTON, GEORGE. Washington's "Tour to the Ohio" and articles of "The Mississippi Company." Introduction and notes by Archer Butler Hulbert. Ohio Archaeological and Hist. Quart. 17: 431-488. October 1908:

(19)

Comments:

The earliest accurate description of the Ohio Valley which, interestingly enough, is from the pen of Washington. It is found in two manuscripts, now preserved in the Library of Congress. One, he called "Remarks & Occurr^s in October..."; the other, he inscribed "Where & How My Time is Spent." The first is the elaborate journal of Washington's tour of 1770 and the latter is a mere outline, such as he always kept, of each day's affairs. The articles of the "Mississippi Company", the original of which is in Washington's handwriting and is also preserved in the Library of Congress, are also reproduced.

Excerpts from the diary of this trip in 1770 are printed under the title, "Washington Journeys West," in Natl. Repub. 17 (6):32-33; (7):33, 40 (October-November 1929).

For an article on this journey, see "Washington's Tour to the Ohio in 1770," in Olden Time, 1:416-432 (September 1846).

SEE ALSO Citations 193, 265.

WASHINGTON'S FARMING ACTIVITIES

ANONYMOUS. Farmer of Mount Vernon. Wallaces' Farmer 44:474. Feb. 21, 1919. (20)

Comments:

This two-column sketch gives the story of Washington's saving his mill from a flood, tells about his land acquisitions, his interest in improved implements and crop rotation, his experiments with fertilizers, mules, and new breeds of livestock, and his realization that American farmers failed to manage properly.

——— Farmer Washington tackles a depression. Breeder's Gaz. 99 (2):3. February 1934. (21)

Comments:

The article relates to the hard times of the early months of 1789, and the extent of Washington's farming activities.

——— El genio inventivo de Jorge Washington. La Hacienda 27:175 May 1932. (22)

——— "George Washington, Mount Vernon"; a great miller and his brand of superfine flour. Northwest. Miller 169:653-654. Mar. 9, 1932. (23)

——— George Washington speaks today. Bureau Farmer 7 (11):47, 20. July 1932. (24)

——— Historic old mill operated by Washington. George Washington Bicentennial News (published...by the Alexandria [Va.] Gazette), 2 (3):8. December 1931. (25)

——— Rebuilding Washington's Mt. Vernon mill. Northwest. Miller 170:450-451, 467-468, 471, 472, illus. May 18, 1932. (26)

Comments:

The picture is "A modern artist's interpretation of an ancient artist's impression of George Washington's mill on the Mount Vernon estate." The diagrams of the Washington mill at Mount Vernon were prepared from detailed architectural plans drawn for the purpose of reconstruction.

- ANONYMOUS. Washington speaks again. Okla. Farmer-Stockman 45:71, 85, illus. Feb. 15, 1932. (27)
- Comments:
The following pictures are included: the vegetable garden at Mount Vernon; Washington as a farmer, painted by Thomas P. Rossiter; the old ivy-covered barn at Mount Vernon; the mansion in 1858; the kitchen at Kenmore; George Washington's bedroom at Mount Vernon; and Kenmore, the home of Washington's sister.
See also the article in the same number entitled "Washington, the Family Man."
- Washington's grist mill erected 1734. Alexandria (Va.) Gazette 148 (45), sect. c, p. 4, illus. Feb. 22, 1932. (28)
- Washington's Mount Vernon mill completely restored. Northwest Miller 9 (10):39, illus. Oct. 5, 1932. (29)
- ABBOTT, WILBUR CORTEZ. James Bloxham, farmer. Mass. Hist. Soc. Proc. (1925-26) 59:177-203. (30)
- Comments:
"James Bloxham, the first farmer-manager of Mount Vernon, brought out by Washington to assist in putting his estates in order after his long absence and neglect as a result of his activities in other and wider fields."
See also the same author's article, "Some Unpublished Washington Letters," in Nation 65:219-221 (Sept. 16, 1937), and Citation 36.
- ATKINS, H.L., Jr. George Washington, esquire; America's most distinguished man, a great Southern farmer. Prog. Farmer (Carolinas-Va. ed.) 47 (4):3. Feb. 15-29, 1932. (31)
- BABBITT, SHIRLEY DARE, and LOWRY CHARLES WIMBERLY, editors. Essays on agriculture. 394 p. Garden City, N.Y., Doubleday, Page & Co. 1921. (32)
- Contents to be noted:
Extracts from a diary of George Washington, p. 367-370.
A letter to Thomas Jefferson from George Washington, dated Oct. 4, 1795, p. 371-373.
- BAMBERGER, FLORENCE. Washington, frontiersman and planter. 58 p. Richmond, Va., Johnson Pub. Co. 1932. (33)

BARR, STRINGFELLOW. George Washington: gentleman farmer. Natl. Fert. Assoc. Proc. (1932) 8 (1):52-59. (34)
Comments: A good summary.

BARILETT, ARTHUR C. Husbandman of the Potomac. Country Home 56 (2): 22-23, 55, 56-61. February 1932. (35)

BEALL, MARY STEVENS. Something further about Bloxham. Nation 65:298. Oct. 14, 1897. (36)

BEATTY, ARTHUR R. George Washington, farmer. Natl. Repub. 20 (4): 6-7, 32, illus. August 1932. (37)

BLOOM, SOL. Washington the business man. (Honor to George Washington ser., edited by Albert Bushnell Hart. Pamphlet 12). 56 p., illus. Washington, D.C., U.S. George Washington Bicentennial Comm. 1931. (38)
Contents to be noted:

In Part 1, Conditions of Colonial Business:- "the business mind." Colonial economics. The Custis wealth.

In Part 2, Washington's Business Records:- Bookkeeping system. Illustrative entries. Analytical accounts. Business income. Bank of England stock. Washington as business adviser to his friends.

In Part 3, The Promoter and Planter:- Family experience. Plantation management. Washington as a business farmer. James Bloxham, the English superintendent. Labor problems. White redemptioners. Slave labor. Opinion on emancipation. Principles as employer. The planter and the English agents. Overseas trade relations. Invoices and shipments. Maritime activities. Fishing. Washington's ferry at Dogue Run. Lumbering. Domestic manufacture.

In Part 4, The Business Organizer:- The landed proprietor. Washington and the west. Colonization of the west. Founding the National Capital. Mining. Corporations. Travels, etc. Selected authorities, p. 55-56.

Comments:

Reprinted in the History of the George Washington Bicentennial Celebration, 1:135-149, illus. (Washington, D.C., U.S. George Washington Bicentennial Comm., 1932).

BRAUNTON, E. George Washington- a real farmer. Calif. Cult. 70:219. Feb. 25, 1928. (39)

Comments:

A summary based on Citation 72.

CARLTON, WILL. George Washington- agriculturist. Ohio Farmer 169:109.
Feb. 20, 1932. (40)

CARRIER, LYMAN. The beginnings of agriculture in America. 323 p. New
York, McGraw-Hill Book Co. 1923. (41)

Contents to be noted:

Washington's opinion of agricultural America, p. 231-238.

Comments:

This treatment is for the most part a reprinting of Washington's letter to Sir John Sinclair, dated Dec. 11, 1796, at Philadelphia, and is from the Correspondence of Sir John Sinclair 2:9-15 (London, 1831). It was written in response to a request from Sinclair for a "description of the several states", when he was contemplating emigrating to America.

See also Citation 64.

CARTER, MAJOR-GENERAL WILLIAM HARDING. General George Washington and his horses. Breeder's Gaz. 78:1154-1155, 1223, 1230, illus.
Dec. 2, 1920. (42)

Comments:

The four illustrations show the following: the coach frequently used by Washington and Mrs. Washington while residing in Philadelphia, then owned by Samuel Hare Powell, mayor of Philadelphia, and now preserved at Mount Vernon; Washington on horseback receiving a salute on the field at Trenton; the rear or court view of Mount Vernon; and the stable.

CHARTULLY, J. A. George Washington "dirt" farmer. Rural New Yorker 91:426. Apr. 30, 1932. (43)

Comments:

Note the map showing some of the localities important in the career of George Washington, including the approximate location of his wild lands, p. 426.

COMSTOCK, SARAH. Mount Vernon: first farm experiment station. Lit. Digest 117 (7):45. Feb. 17, 1934. (44)

Comments:

"On their Virginia estate, George and Martha Washington were pioneers in scientific agriculture and home economics."- Subtitle.

CRAVEN, AVERY ODELLE. Soil exhaustion as a factor in the agricultural history of Virginia and Maryland, 1606-1860. 179 p. Urbana, Univ. of Illinois. 1926. (45)

Contents to be noted:

George Washington as a progressive agriculturist, p. 85-89.

See also p. 35 n, 36, 82.

DACY, GEORGE H. Our first scientific farmer; George Washington's agricultural methods are in vogue today; his farming experiences. Field Illus. 37 (7):21-22, 46, illus. July 1927. (46)

DOWNING, ANDREW JACKSON. Rural essays. 557 p. New York, Leavitt & Allen. 1854. (47)

Contents to be noted:

Washington, the farmer, p. 427-431. See Citation 16.

Comments:

Citation 69 is based on the essay by Dowling.

EDWARDS, EVERETT E. George Washington and agriculture. Minn. Hort. 60 (2):25. February 1932. (48)

Comments:

A reprinting of the introduction to U.S. Dept. Agr. Libr. Bibliographical Contributions 22 (edition 1).

George Washington, farmer; a list of annotated references and a brief introduction. Agr. Libr. Notes 6:59-67. March-April 1931. (49)

Comments:

This item contains essentially nothing that is not given more extensively in this bibliographical contribution. The "brief introduction" is an earlier version of the "introductory note." The "list of annotated references" consists of items selected from those listed here, under the headings: Washington's agricultural writings; and Washington's farming activities.

George Washington preferred farming to duties as soldier and statesman. U.S. Dept. Agr. Office of Information Press Service Release, 5 p., mimeog. Apr. 17, 1932. (50)

Comments:

This release was printed with the same title in the Valley Farmer and South Texas Grower 5 (13):8 (Apr. 5, 1932), and with the title "George Washington- the Farmer," in the South. Planter 93 (10):5 (May 15, 1932).

George Washington, the farmer. Loudoun-Fauquier Mag. 3 (2):9, 49, illus. Spring 1932. (51)

Comments:

Note the picture of Washington's experimental many-sided barn, built on the Dogue Run Farm, p. 9.

- EDWARDS, EVERETT E. Washington was one of the best farmers of his day. U.S. Dept. Agr. Off. Rec. 11:188. Aug. 27, 1932. (52)
- ELY, C. B. George Washington, the farmer. Ind. Farmer's Guide 88:47. Feb. 1, 1932. (53)
- EMIG, EVELYN MARTHA. Early days along the Potomac; a history of George Washington's river farm. Daughters of the Amer. Revolution Mag. 49:246-248. October 1916. (54)
- ENGLAND, GEORGE ALLAN. Washington's old home farm. Daughters of the Amer. Revolution Mag. 59:737-744, illus. December 1925. (55)
- Comments:
The article pertains to "Pine Grove" in Stafford County, Va., where George Washington lived from the age of four until about nineteen; and there Mary Washington, his mother, spent some thirty-nine years. It was then called "Ferry Farm." It lies for nearly a mile along the eastern bank of the Rappahannock River, opposite Fredericksburg.
- F., B. The farmer founders of our nation. Natl. Educ. Assoc. Jour. 21:186, illus. June 1932. (56)
- FAY, BERNARD. George Washington, republican aristocrat. 297 p., illus. Boston and New York, Houghton Mifflin Co. 1931. (57)
- Contents to be noted:
"Colonel Washington Studies Silence and Agriculture," p. 139-150.
Sources and notes, p. 275-286.
- Comments:
"Of...interpretative studies one of the most successful is the recent book from...Bernard Fay... What Fay has to say is not startlingly new, but he says it with conciseness, clarity, shrewdness and geniality, and the interpretation, despite a certain superficiality, is convincing."- Henry Steele Commager, in Publishers' Weekly 121:508 (Jan. 30, 1932).
- Reviews:
Milledge L. Bonham, Jr., in Amer. Hist. Rev. 37:764-766 (July 1932). Wayne E. Stevens, in Miss. Valley Hist. Rev. 19:110-111 (June 1932).
- FITZPATRICK, JOHN CLEMENT. George Washington himself; a common-sense biography written from his manuscripts. 544 p. Indianapolis, Bobbs-Merrill Co. 1933. (58)

FITZPATRICK, JOHN CLEMENT. Continued.

Contents to be noted:

Childhood and education, p. 17-31.

Boyhood- the Shenandoah adventure, p. 32-39.

Life at Mount Vernon- humor and religion, p. 124-131.

Illness- finances- literary skill and a word on slavery, p. 132-136.

Business and the development of the western country, p. 137-140.

The canoe trip down the Ohio and the soldiers' bounty lands, p. 141-144.

Powder and arms- reenlistment of officers- troops- discipline, p. 197-203.

The western tours- toothache- books- last orders to the army- matrimonial advice, p. 428-436.

Civil life- finances- more books- humor, p. 440-446.

Potomac navigation- Housen's statue- French hounds and the

Spanish jackass- the Alexandria Academy, p. 447-452.

Federalism- Shays' Rebellion- Slavery- Mount Vernon and his mother- Lafayette, p. 453-462.

Western Indians- L'Enfant, Jefferson and the federal city-

Jefferson and Hamilton- Citizen Genêt- the Whisky Rebellion and growth of democracy, p. 482-492.

Comments:

The volume "purports to be a 'common-sense biography'; it is based upon a more extensive body of documentary material than any previous biography, but it is marred by certain moralistic attitudes and assumptions."

"In the main this is likely to be classed as a biography for the scholar and the specialist, rather than a book for the general reader. Its comments on actual evidence in connection with controversial points in Washington's life will be permanently valuable. Somehow it impresses one as a book about Washington materials rather than a book creating a living picture of Washington."- O.M. Dickerson, in Miss. Valley Hist. Rev. 20:568 (March 1934).

Reviews:

Louis Martin Sears, in Amer. Hist. Rev. 40:142-143 (October 1934).

FLEMING, EMILY. America's historic horse-chestnut tree. Daughters of the Amer. Revolution Mag. 62:226-227, illus. April 1926.

(59)

Comments:

The horse-chestnut tree, the last of thirteen which George Washington planted to shade the walk between his mother's cottage and Kenmore, his sister's home. He named these trees for the thirteen colonies.

FLOOD, FRANCIS A. Where Washington was a boy; intensive farming now practiced on farm that grew famous cherry tree. Farmer 45:1071. July 30, 1927.

(60)

- FORD, PAUL LEICESTER. The true George Washington. 319 p., illus. Philadelphia & London, J. B. Lippincott Co. 1896. (61)
- Contents to be noted:
Farmer and proprietor, p. 112-137.
Master and employer, p. 138-162.
- Comments:
P. L. Ford was "one of the first Washington biographers to make use of his invaluable diaries. His book remains one of the most readable, and truest to nature that has ever been written about Washington."- A. B. Hart, in Publishers' Weekly Feb. 14, 1931.
- FORD, WORTHINGTON CHAUNCEY. George Washington. 2 v. New York, Charles Scribner's Sons. 1900. (62)
- Contents to be noted:
The planter, 1:111-132.
Western lands, 1:133-150.
Mount Vernon, 2:102-119.
The farmer, 2:278-287.
See also v. 1, ch. 3-5, 8, concerning his experiences on the western frontier.
- George Washington. (Beacon biographies of eminent Americans, edited by M.A. De Wolfe Howe). xvii, 169 p. Boston, Small, Maynard & Co. 1910. (63)
- Contents to be noted:
Ch. 2, p. 16-32. Ch. 6, p. 98-113.
Bibliography, p. 168-169.
- Comments:
"In private life he advanced the methods of agriculture in Virginia, and did what lay in his power to avert the revolution in the economy of a slave-holding community."- Preface.
- FRANKLIN, F. L. Washington on America. Natl. Repub. 17 (10):26-27, 38. February 1930. (64)
- Comments:
A reprinting of Washington's letter of Dec. 11, 1796 to Sir John Sinclair, who had applied to the President of the new nation for advice as to the most desirable portions of America in which to settle. See Citation 41.
- GALBREATH, CHARLES B. George Washington. Natl. Stockman and Farmer 40:1224-1225. Feb. 17, 1917. (65)
- GILMORE, JOHN W. The agriculture of George Washington. Pacific Rural Press 107:214. Feb. 16, 1924. (66)

[GREGORY, CLIFFORD V.] Farming through the ages; George Washington of Mt. Vernon. *Prairie Farmer* 101:471, 477, 497, illus. Mar. 23, 1926.

(67)

Comments:

A summary concerning Washington as an agriculturist. The illustrations include the following: reproduction of picture of Washington looking over the progress of field work; the seed house; the mansion house; Washington in the garden; reproduction of Washington's map of his farm of Mount Vernon, prepared in 1799; and Washington's sixteen-sided barn.

GRIGGS, EDWARD HOWARD. American statesmen; an interpretation of our history and heritage. 364 p. Croton-on-Hudson, N. Y., Orchard Hill Press. 1927.

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Contents to be noted:

Mount Vernon, Washington's home from the age of sixteen, p. 14.
Experiences in surveying for Lord Fairfax, p. 15.
Work as public surveyor, p. 15-16.
Inheritance of Mount Vernon, p. 16.
View of war versus agriculture, p. 21.
Life at Mount Vernon, p. 25.
Handling of slaves and view of slavery, p. 29.
Washington as farmer and business man, p. 29.

HALLIGAN, C. P. Washington, the master farmer. *Mich. Agr. Exot. Sta. Quart. Bull.* 14:235-237. May 1932.

(69)

Comments:

This article is based on Citation 47.

HAMILTON, E. W. George Washington, farmer. *Amer. Thresherman* 33 (10):5, 18, illus. February 1931.

(70)

Comments:

The illustrations include a picture of the Rotherham plow imported from England and used by Washington, and a drawing of an Italian wheel plow which probably served as a model for Washington's wheel plow.

HARRISON, JOHN F. Washington as a farmer. *Ohio State Bd. Agr. Ann. Rpt.* 1899:428-436.

(71)

Comments:

This paper was read before the Mulberry Farmers' Institute.

HAWORTH, PAUL LELAND. George Washington, country gentleman; being an account of his home life and agricultural activities. With many illustrations, facsimiles of private papers, and a map of Washington's estate drawn by himself. 336 p., illus. Indianapolis, (72) Bobbs-Merrill Co. [1925]. Ed. 1915, with title, George Washington, Farmer

Contents to be noted:

A man in love with the soil, p. 1-7.
Building an estate, p. 8-36.
Virginia agriculture in Washington's day, p. 37-59.
Washington's problem, p. 60-70.
The student of agriculture, p. 71-75.
A farmer's records and other papers, p. 76-89.
Agricultural operations and experiments before the Revolution, p. 90-100.
Conserving the soil, p. 101-130.
The stockman, p. 131-148.
The horticulturist and landscape gardener, p. 149-164.
White servants and overseers, p. 165-190.
Black slaves, p. 191-218.
The farmer's wife, p. 219-238.
A farmer's amusements, p. 239-269.
A critical visitor at Mount Vernon, p. 270-280.
Profit and loss, p. 281-290.
Odds and ends, p. 291-305.
The vale of sunset, p. 306-317.

Comments:

Haworth "has revealed much of the richness and dignity of the life of this Virginia planter who loved Mount Vernon more than all the pomp and circumstance of public life or the excitement of war,..."— Henry Steele Commager, in Publishers' Weekly 121:509 (Jan. 30, 1932).

Reviews:

G.U.E., in Amer. Hist. Rev. 21:858-859 (July 1916). O. G. Libby, in Miss. Valley Hist. Rev. 3:535-536 (March 1917). South Atlantic Quart. 14:385-386 (October 1915).

HAY, JAMES, JR. America's first conservationist. Outdoor Amer. 9 (12):13, 26, 27, 28, illus. July 1931. (73)

Comments:

The illustration is of an old print of George Washington, the farmer and country gentleman, at Mount Vernon, p. 13.

——— George Washington: fruit grower and gardener. Amer. Fruit Grower 51 (5):5, 18. May 1931. (74)

——— George Washington, homemaker. Capper's Farmer 42 (11):7, 33. November 1931. (75)

HAY, JAMES, JR. George Washington, inventor. Sci. Amer. 146:140-141, illus. March 1932. (76)

Comments:

The illustrations show the following: Washington's experimental many-sided barn on Dogue Run Farm; an old print depicting the young Washington as a civil engineer; and the painting by Thomas P. Rossiter showing Washington as a farmer at Mount Vernon.

The article is given in condensed form in Lit. Digest 112:36 (Mar. 12, 1932).

——— George Washington, stockman. Jersey Bull. 50:1212, 1234. July 22, 1931. (77)

——— George Washington, the father of his country was a cockamort; bicentennial recalls his interest in livestock. Natl. Live Stock Producer 9 (11):9. July 1931. (78)

——— How Washington farmed. Hoosier Farmer 16 (13):10-11. July 1, 1931. (79)

——— Washington- first in farming, too. Missouri Ruralist 73 (16):3, 13. Feb. 15, 1932. (80)

——— Washington, the farmer. Farm Mechanics 25 (1):10-11, illus. May 1931. (81)

Comments:

The illustrations include a view of Mount Vernon from the air, the restored greenhouses, and the house.

HENDERSON, HERBERT B. George Washington, the farmer. Tenn. Farmer 24:7. February 1931. (82)

HILL, FREDERICK TREVOR. On the trail of Washington; a narrative history of Washington's boyhood and manhood, based on his own writings, authentic documents and other authoritative information. (National holiday series). 275 p., illus. New York and London, D. Appleton & Co. 1923. (83)

Contents to be noted:

Plantation playgrounds, p. 1-6.

Surveying and sportsmanship, p. 23-29.

A first opportunity, p. 35-36.

Earning a living, p. 37-41.

Plantation days, p. 81-87.

Peace and public service, p. 242-255.

Mount Vernon, p. 265-273.

Authorities, p. 276.

HILLESTAD, PAUL C. The master farmer of Mount Vernon; George Washington and his farm. Farmer and Farm, Stock and Home 50:103, 112-113. Feb. 20, 1932. (84)

Contents to be noted:

Map of Mount Vernon, drawn by Washington, p. 103.

The editorial entitled "The Influence of a Great Man," p. 106.

HOAG, E.F.A. Some things I learned from George Washington's farm. Country Gentleman 86 (8):11, 22, illus. Feb. 19, 1921. (85)

Comments:

An elderly farmer's reactions incident to visits at Mount Vernon.

HUGHES, RUPERT. George Washington. V. 1-3, illus. New York, William Morrow & Co. 1926- (86)

Contents to be noted:

V. 1, George Washington, the Human Being & the Hero, 1732-1762:-

His native scene and his ancestry, p. 1-15.

His childhood, p. 16-38.

He begins to survey the world, p. 39-46.

He pierces the wilderness, p. 70-98.

"Domestic Felicity," p. 442-463.

The daily round, p. 464-481.

Notes and references, p. 495-551.

Books consulted and quoted, p. 565-572.

V. 2, George Washington, the Rebel and the Patriot, 1762-1777:-

He keeps his books, p. 40-61.

His daily autobiography, p. 62-78.

He fights the soil, p. 79-88.

Busy Mount Vernon, p. 89-106.

His struggle for wealth, p. 107-118.

Was he "the father of the West"? p. 119-129.

He hunts buffalo in Ohio, p. 130-140.

He fights for his soldiers' lands, p. 141-153.

The great land companies, p. 657-662.

Notes and references, p. 609-650.

Books consulted and quoted, p. 675-683.

V. 3, George Washington, the Savior of the States, 1777-1781:-

Notes and references, p. 697-772.

Books consulted and quoted, p. 796-810.

Comments:

"The most notable and courageous of recent attempts at a full length biography of Washington is that of Rupert Hughes, a novelist who has proved himself remarkably adept at the historian's profession. Mr. Hughes has already published three large volumes of his biography, carrying the story to 1781; the study has gained greatly in accuracy, sincerity and dignity with each successive volume. Mr. Hughes' interpretation of Washington has been subjected

HUGHES, RUFERT. Continued.

to a great deal of unfair criticism and not a little popular misrepresentation; his effort to humanize the marble figure has antagonized many who prefer their heroes impeccable and immaculate."--Henry Steele Commager, in Publishers' Weekly, 121:503 (Jan. 30, 1938).

"His work, still incomplete but eagerly awaited in successive volumes, is probably the definitive Life of Washington. If his first volume reveals some evidence of the 'debunking' spirit, he has subsequently atoned for that. If perchance he came to scoff, he assuredly remained to pray."

Reviews:

V. 1:-- Claude G. Bowers, in Nation 123:431-432 (Oct. 27, 1926). G. S. Bowers, in Internatl. Book Rev. November 1926, p. 753. S.L. Cook, in Boston Transcript Nov. 27, 1926, p. 3. W. E. Dodd, in N.Y. Herald Tribune Books Oct. 24, 1926, p. 2. Edwin M. Everett, in Ga. Hist. Quart. 11:54-59 (March 1927). Ralph Volney Harlow, in Polit. Sci. Quart. 42:231-234 (June 1927). Allan Nevins, in Saturday Rev. Lit. 3:415 (Dec. 11, 1926). Arthur Pound, in Independent 117:623 (Nov. 27, 1926). N. W. Stephenson, in N. Y. World Oct. 17, 1926, p. 8m.

V. 2:-- J. T. Adams, in N.Y. Herald Tribune Books Dec. 4, 1927, p. 4. Claude G. Bowers, in Nation 126:157 (Feb. 8, 1928). Herschel Brickell, in North Amer. Rev. 225:adv. (February 1928). Van Wyck Brooks, in New Republic 54:166 (Mar. 21, 1928). Joseph Collins, in N.Y. Evening Post Jan. 14, 1928, p. 13. S. L. Cook, in Boston Transcript Nov. 26, 1927, p. 3. E. M. C[oulter], in Ga. Hist. Quart. 12:205-206 (June 1928). E. H. Gabriel, in Yale Rev. 17:599 (April 1928). W. E. Garrison, in Christian Cent. 45:284 (Mar. 1, 1928). Samuel McKee, Jr., in Hist. Outlook 19:133 (March 1928). Allan Nevins, in Saturday Rev. Lit. 4:518 (Jan. 14, 1928). C.P., in Catholic World 128:122 (October 1928). D. C. Scitz, in Bookman 67:206 (April 1928). N.W. Stephenson, in New York World Dec. 18, 1927, p. 11m. New York Times Book Rev. Dec. 11, 1927, p. 3. Rev. of Reviews 77:8 (January 1928). Springfield Republican Dec. 11, 1927, p. 6f. Times (London) Lit. Sup. Dec. 22, 1927, p. 978.

V. 3:-- Claude G. Bowers, in Nation 130:248 (Feb. 25, 1930). Charles Moore, in Miss. Valley Hist. Rev. 17:135-138 (June 1930). John McAuley Palmer, in Amer. Hist. Rev. 36:412-414 (January 1931). John Hyde Preston, in New Republic 62:334 (May 7, 1930).

HUMPHREY, HENRY B., JR. Homes of our presidents; Farmer Washington.

Country Life 49 (5):53-55, illus. March 1926.

(87)

Comments:

Largely statements, including quotations from Washington's letters showing his love of agriculture. There are seven illustrations: the west front of Mount Vernon mansion; Washington as a farmer, from an old print; Mrs. Washington as pictured in an old engraving made from the original painting by Chappel; "An intimate and unusual picture of Washington, the hunter;" the east front of Mount Vernon; "A very old picture of the entrance front of the mansion;" "The young Washington, aged eighteen."

LEAVERITT, E. T. George Washington and power farming; his efforts were to reduce his labor expense through utilization of more power. Farm and Ranch 49 (3):2, 14. Feb. 22, 1930. (88)

Comments:

This article also appears with the titles "Was Also First in Farming in Colonies," in Mo. Farmer 14 (1):4, 11 (Feb. 15, 1930), and "George Washington and Power Farming," in Calif. Cult. 74:187 (Feb. 15, 1930).

LEHMANN, E. W. George Washington, agricultural engineer. Better Farm Equipment and Methods (St. Louis, Mo.) 4 (9):6-7, 33-34. May 1932. (89)

Comments:

One of a series of addresses before the faculty of the Illinois College of Agriculture on the general subject of George Washington, the Farmer.

LOWE, C. D. George Washington, great advocate of livestock farming. South. Agriculturist 63 (1):19. January 1933. (90)

Comments:

Also available as a mimeographed release of the U. S. Department of Agriculture, Extension Service, Office of Cooperative Extension Work.

MACE, WILLIAM HARRISON. Washington, a Virginia cavalier. (Little lives of great men). 180 p., illus. Chicago, New York, Rand McNally & Co. [1916]. (91)

Contents to be noted:

"Old Days at Mount Vernon," p. 75-84.

A chronology of the life of George Washington, p. 176-179.

A reading list, p. 180.

MCMILLEN, WHEELER. Geo. Washington as a farmer; sidelights on his farming operations. Successful Farming 19 (4):26, 125, illus. April 1920. (92)

Comments:

A careful statement of certain sidelights on Washington as an agriculturist.

MATTESON, DAVID M. Washington the farmer. (Honor to George Washington ser., edited by Albert Bushnell Hart. Pamphlet 4). 31 p., illus. Washington, D.C., U.S. George Washington Bicentennial Comm. 1931.(93)
Contents to be noted:

In Part 1, Land and Crops and Stock, the subject is considered under the following topics:- Interest in farming; wasteful farming in Virginia; Washington's scientific farming; tobacco; wheat farming; reaping wheat; raising grain; invention of a drill plow; agricultural experiments; raising stock; sheep raising.

In Part 2, Organization and labor, the topics are as follows:- the English system; Manager Elorham; overseers and slaves; modern farming methods; difficulties of improvement; interest in shrubbery; continuing interest.

Part 3, Washington's Scientific Farm Methods, p. 15-29, consists of excerpts from Washington's writings, compiled by Albert Bushnell Hart.

Selected authorities, p. 30-31.

Comments:

Reprinted in History of the George Washington Bicentennial Celebration, 1941-49, illus. (Washington, D.C., George Washington Bicentennial Commission., 1938).

See also other pamphlets of the same series, especially Citation 100.

MAZYCK, WALTER H. George Washington and the negro. 180 p. Washington, D.C., Associated Publishers. [1932]. (94)

Comments:

A study of Washington's attitude toward slavery. The author found "a very human story...in the evolution of his regard for human rights as unfolded by his changing attitude toward the Negro."

Reviews:

Percy Scott Flippin, in Miss. Valley Hist. Rev. 19:305 (September 1932). G.A. Kuyper, in South. Workman 61:136-138 (March 1932).

MELLON, MATTHEW TAYLOR. Early American views on Negro slavery, from the letters and papers of the founders of the Republic. 161 p. Boston, Mendor Pub. Co. 1934. (95)

Contents to be noted:

The real and false Washington, p. 38-40.

Slavery and the Virginia tradition, p. 40-44.

Washington's pre-Revolutionary views on slavery, p. 45-48.

Washington's attitude toward Negroes as soldiers, p. 48-51.

Washington and Phillis Wheatley, slave poetess, p. 51-55.

The effect of the war on Washington's views towards "Free Negroes" as soldiers, p. 55-58.

Washington's and Hamilton's views on Negro slaves as soldiers, p. 58-64.

Washington's reaction to Lafayette's proposals, p. 64-70.

Evering principles, 1735-1787, p. 70-72.

Washington at the Constitutional Convention, 1787, p. 72-75.

The status of the Negro during the presidency of Washington, p. 75-79.

The Negro slave in Washington's will, p. 79-83.

Summary, p. 83-85. Bibliography, p. 11-13.

MELLON, MATTHEW TAYLOR. Continued.

Comments:

"From his birth to his death he was a slave-holder and controlled three hundred and seventeen slaves at the time of his death. His will continued to control their destinies even after his death. His belief in the importance of preserving the Union above all else, allowed him to remain officially silent regarding the danger of continuing the system."- p. 85.

The volume also includes the views of Benjamin Franklin, John Adams, Thomas Jefferson, and James Madison on slavery.

Reviews:

Henry H. Simms, in Miss. Valley Hist. Rev. 21:550-551 (March 1935).

[MORTIMER, G. B.] George Washington as a farmer. Hoard's Dairyman 59:346, 350. Feb. 27, 1920. (96)

Comments:

The article, printed on the occasion of the appearance of Citation 1, in the Juniors section, consists of extracts from Washington's papers which show how carefully he managed his agricultural affairs. The extracts are from the letter to James Anderson, manager of his farms, dated Dec. 10, 1799, which included directions concerning crops for the River Farm, and its operation for the year 1800.

MOSES, BELLE. The master of Mount Vernon. 256 p., illus. New York, D. Appleton & Co. 1932. (97)

Contents to be noted:

The years of peace, p. 69-87.

Our country gentleman, p. 103-119.

Comments:

"The purpose of this biography of George Washington is to present a picture of his life as a private gentleman, the capable administrator of a beautiful estate, a counselor of relatives and friends, and a thoughtful student of affairs. His love for, and interest in, children and young people is particularly stressed. For readers of twelve and over."- Booklist 28:354 (April 1932).

NORDBERG, ELMER R. America's first scientific farmer; Washington a pioneer in agricultural experiments. Penn State Farmer 25 (5): 7, 17, illus. February 1932. (98)

Comments:

The illustrations include a view of the flower garden at Mount Vernon.

PARKINSON, RICHARD. George Washington; statement of Richard Parkinson, Lincolnshire farmer. Preface by Alfred J. Morrison. 38 p. Baltimore, Lord Baltimore Press. 1909. (99)

Comments:

Extracts from Richard Parkinson, A Tour in America in 1798, 1799 and 1800; Exhibiting Sketches of Society and Manners and a Particular Account of the American System of Agriculture, with its Recent Improvements, 1:1-5, 37-63, 78-79, 160; 2:425-441, 611-612 (London, 1805). Parkinson came to America to supervise Washington's River Farm.

[PENNINGMAN, JAMES HOSMER]. George Washington at Mount Vernon on the Potomac; to give a clearer idea of the character of Washington is to set a higher standard for American patriotism. 72 p. Mount Vernon, Va., Mount Vernon Ladies' Association of the Union. 1921. (100)

Comments:

"It is at Mount Vernon alone that Washington comes down from this heroic pedestal and reveals himself to us in the majestic simplicity of the Virginia farmer, the Cincinnatus of the West."

PERRY, F. E. George Washington, farmer. Breeder's Gaz. 75:406. Feb. 20, 1919. (101)

PERRINE, WILLIAM. George Washington as a miller. Northwest. Miller 50 (holiday no.):1-6, illus. Christmas 1900. (102)

Comments:

Illustrations by George E. Graves show the following: the mansion house at Mount Vernon; Washington in his mill; Washington's office at Alexandria; old standard weights and measures.

The article was reprinted in Northwest. Miller 141:637-638, 653-654 (Feb. 18, 1925), with a drawing of a rear view of Washington's mill, and of Washington's mill near Perryopolis, Pa., built in 1776.

PETERSON, MARTIN, and MARVIN GRIM. How are the crops at Mt. Vernon? Washington knew the answer; his diaries show how carefully he farmed. Wallaces' Farmer 55:297, illus. Feb. 24, 1921. (103)

Comments:

A rough outline of a year at Mount Vernon by means of excerpts from Washington's diaries. Also excerpts showing Washington's opinion of the situation of Mount Vernon, his observations on a threshing machine, together with his characteristics as an agriculturist.

P[ROVINE], W. A. Washington's old mill-book. Tenn. Hist. Mag.
(ser. 2) 2:187-194, illus. 1932. (104)

Comments:

A description of Washington's account book, used on the plantation at and near Mount Vernon from August 1776 to May 13, 1785, now in the possession of the Tennessee Historical Society.

RIDEING, WILLIAM HENRY. George Washington. 192 p., illus. New York, Macmillan Co. 1916. (105)

Contents to be noted:

Life in old Virginia, p. 15-22.

Washington at home, p. 35-43.

Comments:

Passages are quoted from his diary and from different biographies.

RITTER, HALSTED L. Washington as a business man. Introduction by Albert Bushnell Hart. 308 p., illus. New York, Sears Pub. Co. [1931]. (106)

Contents to be noted:

Mount Vernon farmer, p. 68-84.

Accounting, p. 99-115.

The man in the community, p. 116-122.

Home builder, p. 144-148.

Western navigation, p. 149-169.

Cincinnatus, p. 193-199.

Lands, tillage and financiering, p. 236-257.

Bibliography, p. 291-295.

Reviews:

O. M. Dickerson, in Miss. Valley Hist. Rev. 18:567 (March 1932).

SANDERS, ALVIN H. Farms of the famous; George Washington. New Breeder's Gaz. 92 (29):10, 19, 21. November 1927. (107)

Comments:

A satisfactory account, also available with the title, "George Washington as a Farmer," in Live Stock Jour. 106:522 (Nov. 25, 1927).

SANFORD, ALBERT HART. The story of agriculture in the United States. 394 p., illus. Boston, New York [etc.], D. C. Heath & Co. 1916. (108)

Contents to be noted:

George Washington, farmer, p. 76-91.

- SCHMIDT, LOUIS BERNARD. The farmer of Mt. Vernon; George Washington as a business man and farmer. Wallaces' Farmer 51:274, 276, illus. Feb. 19, 1926. (109)
- Comments:
An excellent and well-synthesized consideration of Washington as an acquirer of land, a pioneer promoter of transportation facilities between the seaboard States and the region west of the Appalachians, and as an actual farmer.
- SEARS, LOUIS MARTIN. George Washington. 560 p., illus. New York, Thomas Y. Crowell Co. [1932]. (110)
- Contents to be noted:
The country gentleman, p. 63-77.
Westerner and educator, p. 337-356.
In retirement, p. 482-491.
Bibliographical note, p. 523-525.
Chronological table, p. 517-521.
- Reviews:
Milledge L. Bonham, Jr., in Amer. Hist. Rev. 37:764-765 (July 1932). Everts B. Greene, in Polit. Sci. Quart. 48:112-114 (March 1933). W. T. Root, in Miss. Valley Hist. Rev. 20:105-111 (June 1933).
- SMITH, IRA L. Washington's 'forgotten acres' awaken. Sunday Star (Washington, D.C.) Feb. 21, 1938, p. 5, 13. (111)
- SMITH, MRS. LEWIS WORTHINGTON. An experimental farm in old Virginia; in a land without experiment stations, Washington made his own at Mt. Vernon. Wallaces' Farmer 54:279, 304. Feb. 22, 1929. (112)
- SNYDER, HARRY. Bread; a collection of popular papers on wheat, flour and bread. 293 p. New York, Macmillan Co. 1930. (113)
- Contents to be noted:
Washington as a wheat farmer, p. 273-275.
- STINE, OSCAR CLEMEN. George Washington, farmer. U.S. Dept. Agr. Bur. Agr. Econ. Div. Statis. and Hist. Research, 3 numb. 1, mimeographed. [Washington, D.C., 1929]. (114)
- Comments:
A radio talk on the noon-hour network program of the Department of Agriculture, delivered at 1:15 p.m., Eastern standard time, Friday, Feb. 22, 1929, through WRC and 16 associated stations of the National Broadcasting Company.

STOCKBRIDGE, FRANK PARKER. What Washington did for a living; and how he succeeded in becoming the first millionaire in America. Collier's 75 (8):13, 31-32. Feb. 21, 1925. (115)

VAN DYKE, PAUL. George Washington, the son of his country, 1732-1775. 310 p. New York, Charles Scribner's Sons. 1931. (116)

Contents to be noted:

He becomes a planter, p. 168-179.

A planter's life, p. 180-203.

Plantation life, p. 204-223.

The buyer of land, p. 224-231.

References, p. 295-301.

Comments:

"Written with learning and charm."- H. S. Commager.

Reviews:

Milledge L. Bonham, Jr., in Amer. Hist. Rev. 37:166-167 (October 1931). A. C. Flick, in Polit. Sci. Quart. 47:317-318 (June 1932).

[WASHINGTON, GEORGE]. George Washington hires a gardener- limited liquor in part payment. South. Planter 94 (7):4. July 1933. (117)

Comments:

A copy of the contract of agreement made by George Washington with Philip Bates, securing the services of the latter as gardener.

See also "Articles of Agreement between George Washington and His Gardener," in U.S. Law Rev. 68:462-463 (September 1934).

— Washington's lands. Hist. Mag. and Notes and Queries 7:143-147. May 1863. (118)

Comments:

Advertisements from General Washington concerning his estates, taken from the Columbian Mirror and Alexandria Gazette, of Feb. 20, 1796. To let the farms appertaining to Mount Vernon, four in number, adjoining the Mansion House Farm, leases to be given for fourteen years. For sale, lands on the Ohio River in four tracts.

WENTWORTH, EDWARD N. A biographical catalog of the portrait gallery of the Saddle and Sirloin club. 343 p., illus. Chicago, Ill., Union Stock Yards. 1920. (119)

Contents to be noted:

Father of our country, p. 219-222.

- WILSTACH, PAUL. George Washington as a planter and country gentleman. Country Life in Amer. 30 (2):31-33, illus. June 1916. (120)
Comments:
The material in this article is also found in ch. 7 of Citation 197.
The map shows Washington's five farms which totaled about 3,000 acres. The illustrations show a view of the whole group of buildings that made up Mount Vernon taken from the slightly higher point of land to the northeast, the brick ice house at the northeast corner of the group, the upper terrace of the kitchen garden from the west end, the stable and coach house, and the view looking down the central cross axis of the flower garden to the greenhouse.
- WISTER, OWEN. The seven ages of Washington; a biography. 263 p., illus. New York, Macmillan Co. 1917. Ed. 1, 1907. (121)
Contents to be noted:
Excerpts from Washington's writings on Mt. Vernon and farming, p. 109-119.
Chronology, p. 257-259.
Bibliography, p. 263.
Reviews:
Amer. Hist. Rev. 13:911-912 (July 1908).
- WOODWARD, WILLIAM E. George Washington, the image and the man. 460 p., illus. New York, Boni & Liveright. 1926. (122)
Contents to be noted:
P. 110-111, 165-168, 182-183.
Comments:
"It is a serious undertaking, moreover, based upon sound study. But it suffers from the defect of its own excess of levity and suffers from the fatal error of treating Washington of all characters!- with familiarity. Men dared not do it in his life-time, and for posterity it is equally unsafe."- L. M. Sears, in his George Washington, p. 524 (New York, 1932).
Reviews:
Claude G. Bowers, in Nation 123:431-432 (Oct. 27, 1926).
Albert Bushnell Hart, in Polit. Sci. Quart. 42:277-280 (June 1927).
J. A. Woodburn, in Amer. Hist. Rev. 32:611-614 (April 1927).
- YOUNG, NORMAN. George Washington, soul of the revolution. 404 p., illus. New York, Robert W. McBride & Co. 1932. (123)
Contents to be noted:
Former Washington, p. 97-112.
Land speculation, p. 113-118.
Reviews:
John Corbin, in Saturday Rev. Lit. 8:727 (May 14, 1932).
W.T. Foot, in Miss. Valley Hist. Rev. 20:108-111 (June 1933).

MOUNT VERNON- WASHINGTON'S HOME

ANONYMOUS. "Brotherhood of venerable trees" planted by George Washington. Lit. Digest 66 (13):110-113. Sept. 25, 1920. (124)

Comments:

Chiefly a long quotation from an article by Cyril Arthur Player in the Detroit News.

——— Inventory of the contents of Mount Vernon, 1810, with a prefatory note by Worthington Chauncey Ford. 61 p., facsim. [Cambridge, U.S.A., Univ. Press.] 1909. (125)

Comments:

"This inventory, now printed in full for the first time, was filed in the office of the county clerk of Fairfax county, Virginia, by those charged with the final appraisement of the personal effects of Washington at Mount Vernon."- Introduction.

——— Washingtons at home (editorial). Jour. Home Econ. 24:142-145. February 1932. (126)

——— Washington's garden; photographs taken at Mount Vernon for the Journal by Leet Brothers, through the courtesy of the Mount Vernon Ladies' Association of the Union. Ladies' Home Jour. 21 (3):28-29, illus. February 1904. (127)

Comments:

The illustrations show the following: the rose garden laid out by Martha Washington; the path leading to the little schoolroom for the Custis children; the curving path from the garden gate to the schoolroom; the view from a point near the rose garden, showing the quaint flowerbeds and boxwood hedges; the curiously shaped flower-beds surrounded by box hedges, laid out by George Washington; one of the long paths across the garden; the main entrance as seen from the greenhouse; and the view looking from the schoolroom toward the mansion along the curving path.

——— Where Washington still lives; Mount Vernon. Lippincott's Mag. 65:411-412. March 1900. (128)

ABRAMS, A. W. Mount Vernon, the home of Washington. University of the State of New York, Bulletin to the Schools 11 (10):129-132. Albany, State Educ. Dept. 1925. (129)

ANDERSON, MARY F. Colonial atmosphere at Mount Vernon. Sunday Star
(Washington, D. C.), Feb. 21, 1932, p. 7. (130)

----- Living leaves from George Washington's life: the Mount
Vernon gardens a tribute to the vision and wisdom of our first
president. Flower Grower 19:248-252, illus. June 1932. (131)

Comments:

The illustrations include an aerial view of Mount Vernon, and
views of its flower garden, the boxwood maze, the vegetable garden,
the Mary Washington rose, and the boxwood hedges of the parterres,
designed and planted by Washington.

ANDREWS, MARIETTA MINNIGERODE. George Washington's country. 518 p.,
illus. New York, E. F. Dutton & Co. 1930. (132)
Contents to be noted: Mount Vernon, p. 73-85.

BALL, EMMA R. "Mrs. C. B. BALL." Washington's home and the story of
the Mount Vernon Ladies' Association of the Union. [18]p., illus.
[Richmond, Va., Whittet & Shepperson.] 1912. (133)

Comments:

An account of the work of the Mount Vernon Ladies' Association
of the Union and a partial list of the relics at Mount Vernon.

BEALL, Mrs. MARY STEVENS. The story of the Washington coach and of
the Powel coach which is now at Mount Vernon. 74 p., illus.
Washington, D. C., Neale Pub. Co. 1908. (134)

Contents to be noted:

The Washington family carriage, the genuine and the spurious,
p. 7-11.

History of the Washington coach, p. 12-21.

True history of the coach now at Mount Vernon, p. 22-35.

Documentary history in the Washington coach controversy,
p. 36-50.

The spurious Washington coach, p. 51-58.

True history of the so-called "Washington coach," p. 59-63.

Copies of letters, &c, concerning the Powel "Centennial" coach,
p. 64-67.

Opinion rendered by J. F. Jameson, p. 68-74.

BERRYMAN, FLORENCE SEVILLE. Colonial Mount Vernon. Daughters of
the Amer. Revolution Mag. 51:89-98, illus. February 1927. (135)

BRIDGES, S. RUSSELL. The matrimonial rose bush. Era 10:610-611.
December 1902.

(136)

Comments:

The rose bush at Mount Vernon, planted by an old colored servant to commemorate the engagement of Nellie Custis to Justice Lewis, and the legends connected therewith.

BROWN, EVERETT. Mount Vernon of the past. Daughters of the Amer. Revolution Mag. 62:93-99. February 1928.

(137)

Comments:

A letter by William Plumer, Jr., describing Mount Vernon in 1820.

BROWN, GLENN. The message of Mount Vernon. Garden & Home Builder 45:461-467, 517, illus. July 1927.

(138)

Comments:

The illustrations show the following: the mansion house at Mount Vernon; the view of Mount Vernon from the west as one turns in from the highway, the lawn once used as a bowling green being in the foreground; bird's-eye view from the west showing the whole plan of the grounds; bird's-eye view from the east; view from the northeast showing the relationship of the various buildings; the house as it appeared in 1858; the house without its portico railing; northwest view of Mount Vernon, from an old lithograph by P. Haas; Washington's carriage, from a print by J. H. Daniels dated 1772; the view across the lawn toward the house from the ha-ha wall; and the view of the Potomac from the portico of Mount Vernon, from an old engraving published by J. Weld in 1798. Also five views of the interior of the mansion house.

The Garden & Home Builder for July 1927 is designated the Mount Vernon number. It includes Citations 159, 169, 199.

BRUSH, WARREN D. The building of Mount Vernon mansion. House Beautiful 51:130-131, 162, 163, 164, illus. February 1922.

(139)

Comments:

"Some new facts concerning the building of the mansion by Washington, which have been revealed by a study of the present structure and records of that time, are given here in connection with his life on the estate." The rebuilding here described extended from Dec. 20, 1857 to Sept. 15, 1859.

The illustrations include the following: a view of the mansion house; the butler's house and coach house; the west front; a plan of the first story; a plan of the second story; and a picture of the model of the framework of Mount Vernon mansion in the National Museum, Washington, D. C.

CAPEN, OLIVER BRONSON. Country homes of famous Americans; George Washington. Country Life in Amer. 5:409-504, illus. April 1904. (140)

Comments:

The illustrations show the following: western or rear view of the mansion; one of the two bracket-lamps by the mirror over the mantel in the banquet hall; view through the arcade on the right toward the Potomac and the hills beyond; the flower garden; the boat landing; the gateway leading to the Mount Vernon mansion; the well house; the front of the mansion from the south; the front of the mansion; Washington's bedroom; the Heppelwhite sideboard; Mrs. Washington's bedroom; and the kitchen.

COMSTOCK, SARAH. Roads to the Revolution. 455 p., illus. New York, Macmillan Co. 1928. (141)

Contents to be noted:

Washington, a farm, and peace, p. 409-431.

Comments:

The illustrations show the following: the stone steps at Mt. Vernon leading to the River; the Potomac; the doorway of Mt. Vernon; the summer house by the River; the rose-colored magnolia planted by Lafayette beside Washington's greenhouses.

DELONCLE, P. La maison de Washington à Mount Vernon. Illustration 179:447-448, illus. July 25, 1931. (142)

DUFFUS, R. L. Mt. Vernon: Washington's masterpiece. New York Times Mag. May 8, 1932, p. 8-9, illus. (143)

Comments:

"In the estate, now reverently preserved, may be found the true expression of the real genius of the man." Note the aerial survey photo of Mount Vernon, p. 9.

ELLSWORTH, N. H. Mount Vernon in May. House Beautiful 45:233, illus. May 1919. (144)

Comments:

"No other garden has been trodden by so many great Americans or is so intimately associated with great events in our history." The article is of little value but the picture of the garden is excellent.

GALPIN, CHARLES JOSIAH. Washington's home, Mt. Vernon, as a farm. World Agr. 1:65-68, illus. January 1921. (145)

Comments:

An examination of Washington's farmhouse to see how he answered the question of what values in the farm family Americans wish to foster and protect.

Note the reproduction of a photograph of a colored lithograph dated 1852, which shows a bird's-eye view of Mount Vernon.

HARRISON, CONSTANCE CARY. Washington at Mount Vernon after the Revolution. Cent. Mag. 37:334-850, illus. April 1833. (146)

HAY, JAMES, JR. George Washington, lover of trees. Amer. Forests 33:67-71, illus. February 1932. (147)

Comments:

See also the other articles in this "Bicentennial number" of the American Forests. Note especially the editorial entitled "The Master of Mount Vernon," p. 81. Also the articles "Washington- the Huntsman," by H. O. Bishop, p. 100-102, 119, and "Some Trees Washington Knew," by Erle Kauffman, p. 72-75.

HOTTES, ALFRED C. George Washington had a garden home. Better Homes & Gardens 10 (6):13, 64. February 1932. (148)

[HUNTER, JOHN]. An account of a visit made to Washington at Mount Vernon, by an English gentleman, in 1785. Pa. Mag. Hist. and Biography 17:76-82. April 1893. (149)

Comments:

Extract from the diary of John Hunter, an Englishman who made a tour through Canada and the United States in 1785-86.

"He has about 4000 acres well cultivated and superintends the whole himself. Indeed his greatest pride now is, to be thought the first farmer in America. He is quite a Cincinnatus, and often works with his men himself- strips off his coat and labors like a common man."

IRVING, WASHINGTON. The life of George Washington. Rev. ed. 4 v. in 2, illus., maps. New York, Thomas Y. Crowell Co. [1916?]. (150)

Contents to be noted:

v. 1, ch. 26, p. 203-212; ch. 31, p. 235-240; v. 4, ch. 9, p. 73-82; ch. 10, p. 82-96.

Comments:

"Still valuable for itself and for its literary merit."- L. M. Sears, in his George Washington, p. 524 (New York, 1932).

JONES, JOHN ENNIS. Mount Vernon, the home of Washington. 44 p., illus. Washington, D.C., U.S. Press Assoc. 1915. (151)

Comments:

"This volume contains a little narrative of impressions brought away from that tranquil spot on the Potomac where lived our beloved George and Martha Washington."- p. 3.

- KAUFFMAN, ERLE. Trees of Washington; the man- the city. 90 p., illus.
Washington, D.C., Outdoor Press. 1932. (152)
- Contents to be noted:
- George Washington- tree lover, p. 5-12.
 - The trees in Washington's diaries, p. 13-36.
 - Living monuments to Washington, p. 37-44.
 - Trees of Mount Vernon, p. 45-54.
 - Trees of Washington, the city, p. 55-68.
 - Famous and historic trees, p. 69-80.
 - Memorial trees, p. 81-89.
 - Trees of Washington's parks, p. 90.
- KENDALL-LOWTHER, MINNE. Mount Vernon, Arlington and Woodlawn; history
of these national shrines from the earliest titles of ownership to
the present... 83 p., illus. Washington, D.C., C. H. Potter &
Co. 1922. (153)
- Contents to be noted:
- Mount Vernon, p. 1-11.
 - Washington's love of horses, p. 32-33.
- KENNEDY, E. Mount Vernon, a pilgrimage. South. Lit. Messenger 18:
55-57. January 1852. (154)
- KOZLOWSKI, W. M. A visit to Mount Vernon a century ago; a few pages
of an unpublished diary of the Polish poet, J. U. Niemcewicz.
Introduction by Worthington C. Ford. Cent. Mag. 63:510-522.
February 1902. (155)
- Comments:
- Condensed in Current Lit. 32:743-744 (June 1902).
- LATROBE, BENJAMIN. George Washington: country gentleman; an account
of a visit to Mount Vernon from the diary of Benjamin Latrobe.
Country Life 41:34-41, illus. December 1921. (156)
- Comments:
- The visit was made in July 1796. The account is prefaced by an
editorial note giving the main facts of the life of Benjamin Henry
Latrobe (1764-1820), noted engineer and architect.
- LEUPP, FRANCIS E. The old garden at Mount Vernon. Cent. Mag. 72:
73-79, illus. May 1906. (157)
- Comments:
- See also the brief note entitled "Mount Vernon in Washington's
Time" on p. 158-159 of the same number. P. 159 is a reproduction
from a photograph by Baldwin Coolidge of the original color sketch of
the plan of Mount Vernon, made in 1787, by Samuel Vaughan, a merchant
of London, and is part of a manuscript journal kept by him during a
journey through Pennsylvania, Maryland, and Virginia. The text of the
note is taken verbatim from the journal except as to paragraphing.

L[IVINGSTON], L. S. The inventory of Washington's library. Nation
83:161-162. Aug. 23, 1906. (158)

Comments:

"Washington at his death owned a library of about nine hundred volumes, the value of which, as estimated by his executors, was \$2,134.... All his books and papers were left to his nephew, Bushrod Washington. In his will, dated 1826, Bushrod divided the books between two of his nephews, John A. Washington and George C. Washington, and all the books, apparently, remained at Mount Vernon until 1848, when Henry Stevens, the bookseller, bought the portion which had been bequeathed to George C. Washington, and resold them to the Boston Athenaeum, where they now rest. The second portion of the library which had been left by Bushrod Washington to John A. Washington was, after having been exhibited at the Centennial Exhibition, auctioned off in Philadelphia in November, 1876."

LOCKWOOD, SARAH M. The grace of old fashions in furnishings. Garden
& Home Builder 45:473-480, illus. July 1927. (159)

Comments:

The illustrations are of the rooms and furnishings at Mount Vernon.

See Citations 138, 169, 199.

LOSSING, BENSON JOHN. The home of Washington; or Mount Vernon and its
associations, historical, biographical, and pictorial. 446 p.,
illus. New York, Virtue & Yorston. 1871. (160)

Comments:

Ed. 1, 1859. Title varies with editions.

[———] Mount Vernon as it is. Harper's Mag. 18:433-451, illus.
March 1859. (161)

Comments:

Among the more interesting illustrations are views of the following: the landing place; ruins of the conservatory and servants' quarters; the ice house; the century plant and lemon tree that belonged to Washington; diagram of the shaded carriage-way and garden; general plan of the mansion and grounds; Washington's sago palm; Washington's liquor chest; the three scenes in agricultural life sculptured in high relief in white marble under the mantel of the chimney piece in the great hall.

LOWTHER, MINNIE KENDALL. Mount Vernon; its children, its romances, its allied families and mansions. 282 p., illus. Chicago [etc.] John C. Winston Co. 1930. (162)

Contents to be noted:

The Mount Vernon of today, p. 1-10.

The Mount Vernon of yesterday, p. 13-19.

Dogue Run mill, p. 145-146.

Comments:

The preface states that "This little volume comes as the successor" to Citation 153.

LYNN, MRS. J. H. Preserving Mount Vernon's treasures. Sunday Star (Washington, D.C.) Feb. 21, 1932, p. 13. (163)

Comments:

"Many priceless household furnishings of the Washingtons are owned here in the national capital- heirlooms pass down through the Lee and Washington families."

MARTIN, ARTHUR SHADWELL. Mount Vernon. Historic Buildings of America as Seen and Described by Famous Writers, edited by Esther Singleton, p. 115-122. New York, Dodd, Mead & Co. 1906. (164)

MEYL, VANANDA J. A landscaper's pilgrimage to Mount Vernon. Penn State Farmer 19 (8):8-10, illus. April 1926. (165)

Comments:

The illustrations afford views of the house from the south and the box-hedged gardens.

MILLER, WILHELM. Mount Vernon as Washington would have had it. Country Life in Amer. 26 (2):49-52, 88, 90; (3):48-49, 80, 82; (4):43-45, 82, 84; (6):58-59. June, July, August, and October 1914. (166)

Comments:

The titles of this series of four articles on what is being done or must be done to restore the grounds of Mount Vernon as they were in Washington's lifetime are as follows: 1, Washington's taste in walls and brickwork; 2, Washington's taste in landscape gardening; 3, Restore George Washington's vistas; 4, Washington's taste in gardens and flowers.

The most interesting of the 22 photographs by Arthur G. Eldredge are with the first article. They include a view of the wall separating the kitchen from the buildings on the west lane; two views of the restored wall that steps down the lane from the house toward the boat landing; a close-up of the most beautifully coated remnant of Washington's garden wall; and views of the barn, the gate, and the ha-ha wall between the house and the river.

MOORE, CHARLES. The family life of George Washington. Introduction by Mrs. Theodore Roosevelt. 250 p., illus. Boston and New York, Houghton Mifflin Co. 1926.

(167)

Contents to be noted:

The land of the Washingtons, p. 1-15.
Washington family migrations, p. 16-27.
The education of George Washington, p. 28-36.
Family life at Mount Vernon, p. 79-86. Last days, p. 160-169.
The vicissitudes of Mount Vernon, p. 193-205.
An autobiographical will, p. 206-222.
Washington chronology, p. 225-234.

Comments:

"A delightful and scholarly account of Washington's ancestry and personal life."- Henry Steele Commager, in Publishers' Weekly 121:508 (Jan. 30, 1932).

"Intimate without familiarity, a humanizing book which leaves its subject still a hero."- L. M. Sears, in his George Washington, p. 524.

Reviews:

Claude G. Bowers, in Nation 123:431-432 (Oct. 27, 1926).
William E. Dodd, in N. Y. Herald Tribune Books Oct. 24, 1926, p. 1. P. L. Haworth, in Amer. Hist. Rev. 32:660 (April 1927).
Amer. Polit. Sci. Rev. 20:919 (November 1926).

----- The Potomac environment of George Washington. Amer. Hist. Assoc. Ann. Rpt. 1932:119-133.

(168)

MORRISON, BENJAMIN YOE. The garden of our first President. Garden & Home Builder 45:468-471, 513, 518, illus. July 1927.

(169)

Comments:

A study of Mount Vernon as a source of inspiration for the gardener of today. Chief attention is given to the flower garden, the author holding that the kitchen garden requires little attention. The diagram showing the general plan of Mount Vernon and the diagram of the flower garden with its box-edged beds and intricate patterns of box are of special interest. Also the pictures of the box maze with the greenhouse in the background and the kitchen garden as it is today. Also the reproduction of Howard Pyle's painting of Washington in the garden at Mount Vernon.
See Citations 138, 159, and 199.

MURRILL, WILLIAM A. The trees at Mount Vernon. Country Life 59 (9): 132, illus. April 1931.

(170)

Comments:

Mention is made of the white oak in the woods south of the house, the box hedges in the flower garden, the cedar of Lebanon planted in 1874, the native hemlock, and the American holly.

- NORTON, GAYNE T. K. The knot over Washington's tomb. Amer. Forestry 25:351-352, illus. June 1917. (171)
 Comments:
 The black walnut tree in front of Washington's tomb, planted by John Augustine Washington on the 2,500-acre farm granted him by Lord Culpepper in 1674, and its unusual organic growth, which probably contributed to the death of the tree in 1916.
- ORMSBEE, THOMAS HAMILTON. Mansion from a cottage; development of Mt. Vernon. House Beautiful (combined with Home & Field) 44 (2): 20-21, illus. February 1934. (172)
 Contents to be noted:
 Log of the mansion's development, p. 23.
- PAGE, THOMAS NELSON. Mount Vernon and its preservation, 1858-1910; the acquisition, restoration, and care of the home of Washington by the Mount Vernon Ladies' Association of the Union for over half a century. 84 p., illus. [New York, Knickerbocker Press. 1910]. (173)
- PENNINGMAN, JAMES HOSMER. Washington, proprietor of Mount Vernon. (Honor to George Washington ser., edited by Albert Bushnell Hart, Pamphlet 9). 40 p., illus. Washington, D. C., U.S. George Washington Bicentennial Comm. 1931. (174)
 Contents to be noted:
 Part 1, The Estate, p. 1-36:- The historic mansion; origin of Mount Vernon; the mansion (1759); changes and furniture; scientific improvements; the library; absences from Mount Vernon (1789-1797); last residence at Mount Vernon (1797-1799); amusements and diversions; visitors; outdoor sports; tree culture; church going; social life.
 Part 2, p. 37-38, affords data on the ownership of Mount Vernon, 1687-1931.
 Washington's map of Mount Vernon, between p. 18-19.
 Selected authorities, p. 39-40.
- Comments:
 Reprinted in the History of the George Washington Bicentennial Celebration, 1:95-105, illus. (Washington, D.C., U.S. George Washington Bicentennial Comm., 1932).
- POTTER, MARY SARGENT. The trees of Mount Vernon- the nation's shrine; here, at the home of Washington, American history is kept alive through her trees. Amer. Forests and Forest Life 34:413-420, illus. July 1928. (175)

POTTER, MARY SARGENT. Continued.

Comments:

The work of Professor Charles Sprague Sargent of the Arnold Arboretum, Harvard University, in restoring the grounds at Mount Vernon to their original condition.

The illustrations show a general view of the trees facing toward the garden and across the lawn, one of the native hollies, a weeping box at Mount Vernon, the old pecan in front of the mansion planted by Washington on Mar. 25, 1775, and the pecan given Washington by Jefferson.

An account, based on this article, emphasizing the horsechestnut tree presented to Washington by 'Light Horse Harry' Lee, appears with the title, "George Washington's 'Friendship' Trees," in Lit. Digest 99 (7):53, 60-61, illus. (Nov. 17, 1923).

RINGENBERG, NELLE. The memory of George Washington. Amer. Farming 28 (2):3-4, illus. February 1932. (176)

ROGERS, H. L. Washington as home lover and host. Sunday Star (Washington, D.C.) Feb. 21, 1932, p. 22. (177)

RUSH, RICHARD. Washington in domestic life; from original letters and manuscripts. 85 p. Philadelphia, J. B. Lippincott & Co. 1857. (178)

Comments:

Prepared from a collection of letters from General Washington to Colonel Tobias Lear on matters, for the most part, purely domestic and personal.

SARGENT, CHARLES SPRAGUE. The trees at Mount Vernon; report to the Council of the Mount Vernon Ladies' Association of the Union. 16 p. [Washington, 1917.] (179)

Comments:

Reprinted from Mount Vernon Ladies' Assoc. of the Union Ann. Rpt. 1917.

A record of the size and condition of the trees planted by Washington, and of those now standing which have been planted or have sprung up naturally since Washington's death in 1799. A folded plan shows the positions of the trees standing near the mansion in May 1917.

SAWYER, JOSEPH DILLAWAY. Washington. 2 v., illus. New York, Macmillan Co. 1927. (180)

Contents to be noted:

V. 1, ch. 13, At home at Mount Vernon; George Washington as a gentleman farmer; pleasant and peaceful years. For further material consult the index of each volume under the heading Mount Vernon.

Reviews:

J. C. Fitzpatrick, in Amer. Hist. Rev. 32:926-927 (July 1927).

- SCUDDER, HORACE ELISHA. George Washington, an historical biography. 200 p., illus., maps. Boston and New York, Houghton Mifflin & Co. 1924. (181)
- Contents to be noted:
- The boyhood of Washington, p. 13-19.
 - Mount Vernon and Belvoir, pp. 26-31.
 - The young surveyor, p. 32-37,
 - The Ohio Company, p. 38-44.
 - Washington at Mount Vernon, p. 83-92.
- Comments:
- Among the best elementary one-volume lives of Washington.
- SHOULTS, WORTH E. The home of the first farmer of America. Natl. Geogr. Mag. 53:602-628, illus. May 1928. (182)
- Comments:
- The following illustrations are of particular interest: an airplane view of Mount Vernon; the St. Helena willows on guard along the river front; the house from the river lawn; the piazza; the library; the central hall and stairway; the banquet hall; the view through the arches of the east colonnade; the parterres of boxwood; the garden; the boat landing; the summer-house; the school house; the house from the entrance to the serpentine drive; the coach house; the tomb; the original vault; the bedroom where Washington died; and the west parlor including the rug presented to Washington by Louis XVI of France.
- SIPE, CHESTER HALE. Mount Vernon and the Washington family; a concise handbook on the ancestry, youth and family of George Washington, and history of his home.... 48 p., illus. [Butler, Pa., Zeigler Print. Co. 1924]. (183)
- Contents to be noted:
- Early history of Mount Vernon, p. 25-27.
 - Later history of Mount Vernon, p. 27-33.
- SPENDER, HAROLD. Washington and Mount Vernon. Landmark 5:111-114, illus. February 1923. (184)
- STAPLEY, MILFREED. The home of George Washington, country gentleman. Country Life in Amer. 26:39-41, 80, illus. May 1914. (185)
- Comments:
- The first of a series of critical articles on Mount Vernon and the scheme of the layout of the estate. See Citation 165.
- The illustrations include a sketch of the plan of the house, a diagram of the yard, two pictures of the rear of the house, two of its west end, one of the kitchen, one of the south bedroom where Mrs. Washington died, and one of the east farm lane, showing the office, the gardener's house, the carpenter shop, and the spinning house.

STEPHENSON, JEAN. Mount Vernon: a monument to American idealism.
Daughters of the Amer. Revolution Mag. 62:85-92, illus.
February 1928. (186)

Comments:

A somewhat condensed version of this article appears with the title, "How Mt. Vernon Became a National Shrine," in the World Rev. (Mount Morris, Ill.) 6:44-45, illus. (Feb. 20, 1928).

TABOR, GRACE. George Washington, gardener. Woman's Home Companion
56 (7):35, 116, illus. July 1929. (187)

Comments:

The article is based on the entries in Washington's diaries pertaining to the gardens at Mount Vernon. The illustrations show an air-view of the mansion and garden emphasizing the splendidly proportioned masses sloping gently from the river, the boxwoods in the garden, and the greenhouse. There is also a plan of Mount Vernon.

TONER, J. M. Some account of George Washington's library and manuscript records and their dispersion from Mount Vernon, with an excerpt from his diary in 1774 during the first session of the Continental Congress, with notes. Amer. Hist. Assoc. Ann. Rpt. 1892. Washington, Govt. Print. Off. 1893. (188)

VALLANDIGHAM, E. N. Washington as a colonial magnate. Putnam's Mag. 3:517-529, illus. February 1908. (189)

Comments:

The illustrations include views of the Mary Washington Monument, Pohick Church, the interior of Christ Church in Alexandria, Mary Washington's house in Fredericksburg, the interior of Kenmore, Washington birthplace monument, Mt. Vernon, and Kenmore House.

WADSWORTH, BEULA MARY. Making Mount Vernon seem real. School Arts Mag. 33:310-313, illus. January 1934. (190)

Comments:

"Those who cannot personally enjoy the beautiful experience of a sojourn to Mount Vernon can make the place seem very real by creating a miniature reproduction of the mansion and gardens. Indeed, such an activity will compel observation and stimulate such interest that should a trip later be made, it would serve as a valuable preparation for intelligent sightseeing."

WALKER, ROBERT SPARKS. The magic of Mount Vernon. Flower Grower 16:75-76. February 1929. (191)

WASHBURN, MABEL THACHER ROSEMARY. Mount Vernon, the national shrine of the American people; a study of Paul Wilstach's chronicle for patriotic pilgrims. Jour. Amer. Hist. 11:257-284. April 1917. (192)

WASHINGTON, GEORGE. Washington's map of Mount Vernon, reproduced in facsimile from the original in the Huntington library, with an introduction by Lawrence Martin. (Huntington library publs.) vi, [1] p., folded map. Chicago, Ill., Published for the Huntington Library by the Univ. of Chicago Press. [1932]. (193)

Comments:

Composed and printed by the Harvard Univ. Press.

Map has modern title, George Washington's own map of the whole group of farms at Mount Vernon, drawn in [December] 1793. Scale 1 inch to 100 poles, size 53 x 37 1/2 cm.

WILSON, RUFUS ROCKWELL. Where Washington still lives. Lippincott's Mag. 65:411-418. March 1900. (194)

Comments:

A pilgrimage to "the three places which above all others are associated with the life and presence of Washington-Fredericksburg, scene of his youthful exploits and burial-place of his mother; Mount Vernon, his residence in maturer years, and quiet, grass-grown Alexandria, which knew him as burthen, citizen, and neighbor."

WILSTACH, PAUL. The country home of George Washington. Country Life in Amer. 29 (6):23-26, illus. April 1916. (195)

Comments:

The material in this article is also found in Citation 197.

The illustrations include views from the river, the front of the mansion from the south, the west lane with the stepped wall which separates it from the riverside lawn, the white paling fence separating the box garden from the serpentine drive and the bowling green, the mansion from the opening in the west ha-ha wall, the box-bordered path which leads across the vegetable garden, the central hall, the east parlor, and the reception room. Another picture shows the model preserved in the National Museum, giving the exact construction of Mount Vernon, from which it could be rebuilt if the original house were destroyed. There is also a reproduction of the plan of Mount Vernon made by Samuel Vaughan, and criticized by Washington as failing to show the open vista.

WILSTACH, PAUL. Domestic life at Mount Vernon. Country Life in Amer.
30 (1):35-37, illus. May 1916.

(196)

Comments:

The material in this article is also found in ch. 6 of
Citation 197.

The illustrations show the old well-house back of the kitchen, the gate through which pedestrians enter today, the kitchen fireplace, the room of Nellie Custis, the old tool house, later a school room, at the corner of the garden, the candle holder at Mount Vernon, the interior of the spinning house, Mrs. Washington's bedroom, candle molds, the lane that leads past the brick barn to the boat landing, showing butler's house, kitchen, and stepped wall which screens the stable from the riverside lawn, and the rest house and flower-bordered path across the vegetable garden.

----- Mount Vernon; Washington's home and the nation's shrine.

301 p., illus. Garden City, N.Y., Doubleday, Page & Co. 1916.

(197)

Contents to be noted: ch. 6-8.

Comments:

A history of Mount Vernon from earliest title deeds to the present.

The illustrations show the Mount Vernon mansion, the old brick barn, the survey of Mount Vernon made by Washington about 1746, the south lane, the kitchen fireplace, the north lane, a map of Washington's farm from a drawing transmitted by him, a lane below the old brick barn, the west lodge gates, the river shore, the west parlor, the family dining room, the music room, the sitting room, the north and south lanes, the floor plans, the great window in the banquet hall, the north colonnade, the central hall or passage, a vista through the portico, Samuel Vaughan's plan of Mount Vernon, the box maze and greenhouses, the walled vegetable garden, the south ha-ha wall, and a section of the lichen-covered garden wall.

Reviews:

J. C. Fitzpatrick, in Amer. Hist. Rev. 22:446-447 (January 1917).

----- Social life at Mount Vernon in Washington's day. Country
Life in Amer. 30 (5):29-31, illus. September 1916.

(198)

Comments:

This article is practically the same as ch. 8 of Citation 197.

The illustrations show the family dining room, the banquet room, Pohick Church, a corner of the south porch with a glimpse of the lofty portico, the Heppelwhite sideboard, the Lafayette room, and the river shore from the wharf.

- WILSTACH, PAUL. The Washingtons at home. Garden & Home Builder
45:456-460, illus. July 1927. (199)
Comments:
See Citations 138, 159, 169.
- WRIGHT, RICHARD. An American gentleman with taste. House and
Garden 61 (2):32. February 1932. (200)
- YOHE, MRS. NELL BEACH. Christ Church of Alexandria; the church of
Washington's later years. Homiletic Rev. 104:352-357, illus.
November 1932. (201)
- Pohick, the home church of Mt. Vernon. Homiletic Rev.
104:93-98, illus. August 1932. (202)
- SEE ALSO Citations 1, 4, 9, 44, 53, 62, 67-68, 75, 81, 83, 85-87,
91, 100, 105-106, 112, 120-121, 251, 285.

WASHINGTON AND WESTERN LAND

- ANONYMOUS. Deed of Henry Lee to George Washington [1798]. Ky. State Hist. Soc. Reg. 5 (15):33-35.. September 1907. (203)
Comments:
The deed to 5,000 acres of land then in Jefferson County, Ky., now in Ohio County, Ky.
- General Washington as a land locator and dealer. "Old Northwest" Genealogical Quart. (Columbus, Ohio) 14:24-27. January-April 1911. (204)
- George Washington's milling venture in Pennsylvania. Northwest. Miller 169:507-508, illus. Feb. 24, 1932. (205)
Comments:
Washington's mill on the outskirts of Perryopolis, Pa., which he built and owned for nearly twenty years. Photograph and drawing of the mill.
- Washington mill lore. Northwest. Miller 181:458-459, illus. Feb. 13, 1935. (206)
- Washington's real estate, 1784. Mag. Amer. Hist. 2:623-627. October 1878. (207)
Comments:
Copies of three advertisements in which Washington proposed to lease his 30,000 acres of land on the Ohio and Great Kanawha, a farm in Fayette County, Pa., known as Washington's Bottom, and land at Great Meadows on the road from Fort Cumberland to Pittsburgh.
- Washington's survey gets government O. K. School Sci. and Math. (Chicago) 14:444-445. May 1914. (208)
- Washington's tour to the Ohio in 1770. Olden Time 1:416-432. September 1846. (209)

ADAMS, HERBERT BAXTER. Maryland's influence upon land cessions to the United States. With minor papers on George Washington's interest in western lands, with Potomac Company, and a national university. (Johns Hopkins Univ. Studies in Hist. and Polit. Sci., ser. 3, 1). 102 p. Baltimore, N. Murray, Publication Agent, Johns Hopkins Univ. 1885.

(210)

Contents to be noted:

Washington's interest in western lands, p. 55-77.

Washington's interest in the Potomac Company, p. 79-91.

Comments:

A somewhat revised form of a booklet, Maryland's Influence in Founding a National Commonwealth (Baltimore, Md. Hist. Soc., 1877). In the earlier version the sections here emphasized appear with the titles, Washington's Land Speculations, and Washington's Public Spirit in Opening a Channel of Trade between East and West.

ALVORD, CLARENCE WALWORTH. The Mississippi Valley in British politics; a study of the trade, land speculation, and experiments in imperialism culminating in the American Revolution. 2 v. Cleveland, Arthur H. Clark Co. 1917.

(211)

Contents to be noted:

Advertised surveys, 2:187.

Comments on western expansion; 2:114.

Desires authority from Governor Dunmore to survey lands west of Vandalia, 2:186.

Interpretation of boundary line, 2:186.

Investigated land in West Florida, 2:316, footnote.

Land speculator, 2:110, 111, 185, 326, footnote.

Member of Mississippi Company, 1:95.

Opinion concerning conclusions of scheme of Grand Ohio Company, 2:404, footnote.

Protests against claims of Grand Ohio Company, 2:114-115.

Representative of soldiers, 1:89, 95, 2:116.

Sent agent to Great Britain and Ireland for settlers, 2:187.

Typical representative of Virginia speculators, 2:111.

AMBLER, CHARLES HENRY. George Washington and the West. about 500 p., illus. Chapel Hill, N.C., Univ. N.C. Press. 1936.

(212)

Comments:

The announcement of the University of North Carolina reads as follows: "An interesting account of Washington's western ventures, showing his participation in every important stage of the development of the lands beyond the Alleghenies.

AMBLER, CHARLES HENRY. Continued.

"Early trained as a surveyor, Washington first journeyed across the mountains in company with a party of surveyors sent out by Lord Fairfax to prepare his lands for tenantry. On this expedition Washington learned the nature of the land and of the Indians who inhabited it. As surveyor his 'observations... strengthened and deepened his conviction that land ownership was the most important factor of colonial development.'

"The French and Indian War with the English for supremacy in the Ohio Valley again led Washington to the West, as a defender of the frontier. Mr. Ambler has newly interpreted Washington's career in the military engagements with Jumonville and at Fort Necessity and the Monongahela in the light of unexploited contemporary newspaper accounts of these conflicts. These sources present Washington in a more favorable aspect than did the French accounts, which, in the absence of other primary sources, have been accepted by historians for 180 years.

"After the Ohio Valley had been cleared of the enemy, Washington, with others, was eager to claim his lands on the Ohio which the king had promised to those who volunteered to fight the French and Indians. He therefore made surveys, staked his claims, and at the close of the Revolution owned about 58,000 acres beyond the Alleghenies. Because of his large holdings there have been contemporary and subsequent imputations that his interests were largely selfish. These Mr. Ambler refutes with substantial evidence of Washington's complete readiness to forget personal interests when public interests were involved, and he calls to mind that in statesmanship Washington is seen at his best in his efforts to unite the East and West."

[BELL, HARRY J.] Washington's mill [at Perryopolis, Pa.] Fort Necessity and Historic Shrines of the Redstone Country, Washington Bicentennial Issue..., p. 84-92; illus. Uniontown, Pa., Fort Necessity Chapter, Pa. Soc. of the Sons of the Amer. Revolution. 1932.

(213)

BUELL, WALTER. George Washington's first experience as surveyor. Mag. West. Hist. (Cleveland, Ohio) 1:62-69. November 1884.
Comments:

(214)

Washington's experiences at the age of sixteen as surveyor for Lord Fairfax from March 1748 to April 1749.

The article is also in Amer. Hist. Mag. 2:144-150 (March 1907).

CATLIN, GEORGE B. George Washington looks westward. Mich. Hist. Mag. 16:127-142. March-April 1932. (215)

Comments:

This article, largely quotations from Washington's writings, shows his active interest in the exploration and development of the West during the Confederation period. Also discussion of the part played by Washington in the semi-public, semi-private stock company organized in 1784-85 for the purpose of improving the navigation of the Potomac and other means of communication with the people on the Western Waters.

CLARK, NEIL M. George Washington, Business man. Amer. Mag. 107 (2): 14-17, 106, 108, 110, 112, illus. February 1923. (216)

Comments:

Information on Washington's work as a land surveyor, administrator of the Custis estate, acquirer of western land, the Dismal Swamp project, and the Potomac River Company. Also Washington's seven money-making rules. The illustrations include Washington's plan of his farm and also reproductions of two maps made by him. The article is based on an interview with Eugene Ernst Prussing after the thirteen years of research embodied in Citation 251.

COLEMAN, CHRISTOPHER B. George Washington and the West. Ind. Mag. Hist. 28:151-167. September 1932. (217)

Comments: An excellent article.

COOK, ROY BIRD. Washington's western lands. 176 p., illus. Strasburg, Va., Shenandoah Pub. House. 1930. (218)

Comments:

A summary of Washington's activities as a land holder and promoter in the country west of the Alleghenies. The chapter titles are as follows: Washington's entrance into the Ohio Valley; the tour to the Ohio; Washington acquires land on the Ohio and Great Kanawha; the lands on the Great Kanawha; the lands on the Ohio; Washington's interest on the Little Kanawha, in Ohio and Kentucky; Washington's Pennsylvania lands; disposition of the western lands; Washington's other lands; Washington west of the Blue Ridge.

The illustrations include the following: a plate of Washington's ledger account covering his tour to the "Kanawha" in 1770, from the Toner transcript; a map of Washington's lands on the Great Kanawha River, in the present Mason, Putnam, and Kanawha counties in West Virginia, from original map made by Washington in 1787 and now in the New York Historical Society Collection; a map of military land surveys on the Great Kanawha and "Poca" rivers; a facsimile of statement rendered by Washington

COOK, ROY BIRD. Continued.

to Adam Stephen for share of expense of surveying land on the Great Kanawha River, now occupied by the City of Nitro, W. Va., from the original owned by J. Charles Hall, Charleston, W. Va.; a map of land surveys on the Ohio River, between the two Kanawhas, for Washington, Albert Gallatin, John Savery de Valcoulon, and others, from original undated map, made about 1790; a map of Washington Bottom, Wood County, W. Va.; a map of a survey at the mouth of Sandy Creek or the Ravenswood Bottom; a map of Crawford's survey for Washington at Big Mill Creek, Jackson County, W. Va., from the original plat in the Library of Congress; a map showing property known as "Round Bottom", now in Marshall County, W. Va.; facsimile of letter from Washington to Edward McClean, concerning land in the Round Bottom, in West Virginia, from an original unpublished letter; a plat of the survey of the Little Kanawha, 28,400 acres, in Washington's hand, made in 1773 and now owned by Johns Hopkins University; Washington land surveys in Wood County, W. Va.; Washington's office in Winchester, Va.

CRABB, A. L., editor. George Washington and the Chickasaw nation, 1795. Miss. Valley Hist. Rev. 19:404-408. December 1932. (219)
Comments:

President George Washington's "talk" to a delegation of Chickasaws who visited him to emphasize their need of protection from the continuous depredations of the Creeks as well as the insistent encroachments of the Spaniards.

DILLER, THEODORE. The place of Washington in the history of western Pennsylvania. 43 p., illus. [Pittsburgh] 1916. (220)
Contents to be noted:

Washington's interest in commerce and real estate; his fifth and sixth journeys, p. 40-42.

DONEHOO, GEORGE P. Address at the dedication of the Washington Crossing bridge, Pittsburgh, Pa., December 29th, 1924. West. Pa. Hist. Mag. 8:68-75. April 1925. (221)
Comments:

See also the introduction, "Washington Crossing," p. 65-67.

EDWARDS, WILLIAM WALLER. Washington's adventure to the Ohio. Infantry Jour. 40:435-440, map. November-December 1933. (222)
Comments:

His trip to the Ohio River in November 1753 to find out what the French were doing there and why they had expelled a number of English traders belonging to the Ohio Company.

EVANS, NELSON W. A debt repudiated. Ohio Mag. 2:111-117. February 1907. (223)

Comments:

The United States' obligation to General Washington through his Ohio land grants.

— The Washington claim before Congress in the light of the report of the Committee on Private Land Claims of the 61st Congress. "Old Northwest" Genealogical Quart. 14:28-33. January-April 1911. (224)

EWING, ROBERT M. Washington's western journeys and their relation to Pittsburgh. West. Pa. Hist. Mag. 5:220-235. July 1922. (225)

FINLEY, JOHN H. Washington and the West. 19 p. [Morristown, N.J.? 1925]. (226)

FORD, WORTHINGTON CHAUNCEY. Washington's map of the Ohio. Mass. Hist. Soc. Proc. (1927-28) 61:71-79, map. 1928. (227)

Comments:

Dr. Ford's discovery of the original map of the Ohio region prepared by Washington for his report on the mission to the Ohio in 1753, attached to a copy of Washington's journal of the expedition in the Public Record Office, London.

GALBREATH, C. B. Bicentennial celebration- George Washington's voyage on the Ohio River in 1770. Ohio Archaeological and Hist. Quart. 42:3-56, illus. January 1933. (228)

Comments:

The George Washington Bicentennial River Pageant from the viewpoint of those who witnessed it and the various local celebrations on the Ohio and Virginia shores. This celebration in the form of a reproduction of the journey from Steubenville, Ohio, to Point Pleasant, W. Va., with pageantry at various points along the way, was sponsored by the bicentennial commissions of Ohio and West Virginia.

See also Citation 256.

— George Washington's interest in the Ohio country. Ohio Archaeological and Hist. Quart. 41:20-27. January 1932. (229)

Comments:

Washington's interest in the Ohio country began in 1747 with the advice of his mother, and he was surveying along the upper Potomac in 1748. Before he was 21 he owned over 1500 acres of land. His mission to the French in 1753 at Fort LeBoeuf, near Lake Erie, took

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him through the Ohio country; and he fought during the French and Indian War in the Ohio Valley. At the end of the war he became a member of the Ohio Company looking to profitable investment in the Ohio country. As late as 1784 he was proposing a water and transportation system in the interest of the Northwest Territory.

Supplement with Citation 257.

——— George Washington's journey down the Ohio River in 1770.
Museum Echoes 5:10-12, map. February 1932. (230)

HAWORTH, PAUL L. Washington and the West. Ind. Hist. Bull. 10:
434-452. March 1933. (231)

HAY, JAMES, JR. George Washington: realtor, successful real estate operations of first President made him one of richest Americans of his day. Natl. Real Estate Jour. 32 (10):41-42. May 11, 1931. (232)

HENDERSON, ARCHIBALD. A pre-revolutionary revolt in the old Southwest. Miss. Valley Hist. Rev. 17:191-212. September 1930. (233)

Comments:

Material on Washington and land speculation is included.

——— Washington the traveler. (Honor to George Washington ser., edited by Albert Bushnell Hart. Pamphlet 11). 44 p., illus. Washington, D.C., U.S. George Washington Bicentennial Comm. 1931. (234)

Contents to be noted:

Part 1, Western Journeys, has paragraphs on the following topics: the travel records; purpose of Washington's travels; western land grants and claims (1753-1754); frontier campaigns (1755-1758); land interests on the Ohio (1754-1770); journey on the Ohio River (1770); staking out claims (1770-1772); improvement of river navigation (1784-1785).

Part 3, Southern Journeys, has a section on Washington and the Great Dismal Swamp (1763-1768).

Selected authorities, p. 43-44.

Comments:

Reprinted in History of the George Washington Bicentennial Celebration, 1:123-134, illus. (Washington, D.C., U.S. George Washington Bicentennial Comm., 1932).

HENDERSON, ARCHIBALD. Washington, lucky in war, unlucky in real estate. News and Observer (Raleigh, N.C.) June 2, 1935. (235)

——— Washington's ownership of land in North Carolina. News and Observer (Raleigh, N.C.) Nov. 25, 1934. (236)

HIXON, ADA HOPE. George Washington: land speculator. Ill. State Hist. Soc. Jour. 11:566-575. January 1919. (237)

Comments:

Washington's interest in land in Trans-Appalachia.

HULBERT, ARCHER BUTLER. The Ohio River; a course of empire. 378 p., illus. New York and London, G.P. Putnam's Sons. 1906. (238)

Contents to be noted:

The "Monongahela Country" and its metropolis, p. 80-111, has material on Washington's interest in western lands.

——— Washington; the pioneer investor. Chautauquan 38:43-48, illus. September 1903. (239)

Comments:

Washington's activities as a pioneer explorer, shrewd investor, and clear-headed promoter. One illustration shows the white stones marking the site of old Fort Necessity at Great Meadows; the other, Washington's mill on Washington's Run in Pennsylvania.

——— Washington the explorer; first prophet of the central New York route to the West. Four Track News p. 423-425. 1907. (240)

——— The Washington we forget. Miss. Valley Hist. Assoc. Proc. (1910-11) 4:199-212. 1912. (241)

JILLSON, WILLARD ROUSE. George Washington's western Kentucky lands. Ky. State Hist. Soc. Register 29:379-384, map. October 1931. (242)

Comments:

"Recent surveys indicate that the Grayson county, Kentucky land once owned by Washington, actually included about 5,400 acres. Taken as a whole it is bounded on the north by about 8 miles of Rough River and 1 mile of surveyed lines...." Sketch map of Washington's lands in Grayson County, p. 380.

KOONTZ, LOUIS KNOTT. The Virginia frontier, 1754-1763. (Johns Hopkins Univ. Studies, ser. 43, no. 2). 186 p. Baltimore, Johns Hopkins Press. 1925.

(243)

Contents to be noted: . . .

Washington's part in the French and Indian War, p. 49-91.

Manuscript sources, p. 174-175.

——— Washington on the frontier. Va. Mag. Hist. and Biography 36:305-327. October 1923.

(244)

Comments:

An evaluation of Washington's service on the Virginia frontier during the French and Indian war, 1753-1763. His activities on behalf of the frontier along four main lines; Indian policy, p. 309-315; military offensive, p. 315-317; fortifying the frontier, p. 317-321; and occupation and settlement, p. 321-327.

LAIDLEY, W. S. Large land owners. Geo. Washington as a land owner. Kanawha land books, 1797. Washington a salt maker. Agreement to make salt, Laurence A. Washington with Benjamin F. Reader. W. Va. Hist. Mag. Quart. 3:242-253. July 1903.

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Comments:

A list of lands owned by Washington is included.

MATTESON, DAVID MAYDOLE. Frontier background of Washington's career. (Honor to George Washington ser., edited by Albert Bushnell Hart. Pamphlet 1). 39 p., illus. Washington, D.C., George Washington Bicentennial Comm. 1931.

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Contents to be noted:

Part 1, Period of Washington's Youth, the subject is considered under the following topics: a frontiersman by nature; frontier land system; Spotswood's expedition (1716); frontier routes; the Pennsylvania Dutch; forest lands; the Scotch-Irish; mixed frontier elements; hardships of Washington's expeditions; the Valley of Virginia in 1748; Washington with a transit (1748); the Moravians on the frontier (1747); a missionary of the frontier (1748); rival denominations (1748); Moravian journey to North Carolina (1753); settlements beyond the Valley; Indian raids (1755-1758); Washington on the raids; the insecurity of the frontier (1756); chain of frontier forts (1756-1758); Washington's impressions (1784).

Part 2, Washington's contact with the Indians, the topics are as follows: surveying trip (1748); carrying warning to the French (1753); Fort Necessity expedition (1754); Washington's appeal to the Indians (1754); the Braddock campaign (1755); Washington on the frontier (1755-1758); Cherokees and Catawbas (1756-1757); Washington in the Forbes expedition (1758); Washington on land selection trip (1770); Indians and the Revolutionary army (1775-1783); Washington on the frontier (1784); Presidential policy (1789-1797); Washington's views on the Indians.

Selected authorities, p. 38-39.

MATTESON, DAVID MAYDOLE. Continued.

Comments:

Reprinted in History of the George Washington Bicentennial Celebration, 1:5-16, illus. (Washington, D.C., U.S. George Washington Bicentennial Comm., 1932).

Miller, J. L. Washington's advertisement of land. W. Va. Hist. Mag. Quart. 5 (1): January 1905.

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Comments: Not examined.

MORRIS, GRIFFITH. George Washington as a real estate agent. Amer. Hist. Mag. 4:272-274. May 1909.

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Comments:

A slight article on Washington as a land acquirer. Its material appeared with the same title in Mag. West. Hist. 12:1-3 (May 1890).

ORR, JOHN G. General Washington in Franklin County. Kittochting Hist. Soc. Papers read before the Society during the year ending Mar. 1, 1899. [1]: Chambersburg, Pa. 1900.

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Comments: Not examined.

PAXSON, FREDERIC L. Washington and the western fronts, 1755-1795. Ill. State Hist. Soc. Jour. 24:589-605. January 1932.

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Comments:

Washington's background, including his contacts with the West, prevented him from becoming a typical Virginia planter. His experiences with three frontiers contributed to his ability to handle national problems satisfactorily.

PRUSSING, EUGENE ERNST. The estate of George Washington, deceased. 512 p., illus., maps. Boston, Little, Brown & Co. 1927.

(251)

Contents to be noted:

The chapters are on the following topics: Washington's last years; his death, funeral and family; the will; The will of George Washington; the probate of the will and the inventory and appraisement; the widow; the debts, goods and chattels; cash, rights and credits; bank stocks; the library and literary remains; negroes; minor bequests; the Alexandria Academy; Liberty Hall Academy; the national university; Mount Vernon; "My land at Four Mile Run", and square twenty-one; the final clauses and the Washington monument; the estate in the city of Washington; the Maryland farms; the Potomac Company shares; the Dismal Swamp Land Company; the land on the eastern waters; the outlying lands; the Ohio River and Great Kanawha River lands; the executors' accounts; the Hammond appeal.

PRUSSING, EUGENE ERNST. Continued.

The will of Martha Washington of Mount Vernon, p. 389-400.

Inventory and appraisement of the estate of George Washington, p. 401-448.

Public sales made by the executors of General George Washington, of his estate, p. 449-459.

Reproduction of the map of the original grant of Mount Vernon to Colonel Nicholas Spencer and Colonel John Washington is included on p. 196; of the map of Mount Vernon by Washington, p. 204.

Comments:

See also E. E. Prussing, "George Washington, Captain of Industry," in Scribner's Mag. 70:412-428, 549-560, illus. (October-November 1921). The first installment is devoted to Washington's land acquisitions; the second, to his Bank of England stock and his attitude toward the Bank of the United States. A reproduction of the survey plat of four tracts of land on the Great Kanawha River owned by Washington and facsimiles of pages in Washington's ledger are included. A copy of the will and a statement on the acquisition and eventual disposal of each item is included.

A brief article, essentially a summary of the research in the book cited above, but especially the article in Scribner's, appears with the title, "Revealing George Washington as a Pioneer Captain of Industry," in Current Opinion 71:819-820 (December 1921).

The articles on "The Captain of Industry" and "The Bank of England Stock" are reprinted in Citation 252.

Reviews:

C. S. Boucher, in Miss. Valley Hist. Rev. 14:539 (March 1928).

——— George Washington in love and otherwise. 183 p., illus. Chicago, Pascal Covici. 1925.

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Contents to be noted:

The engineer, p. 34-73.

The captain of industry, p. 74-154.

RANDALL, EMILIUS OVIATT. Washington's Ohio lands. Ohio Archaeological and Hist. Quart. 19:304-319. July 1910.

(253)

Comments:

Pages 315-319 pertain to the petitioning of Congress in 1907 by heirs of Washington for an enactment authorizing the reimbursement to his estate of the sum of \$350,100 with interest thereon from the date of the petition, for the 3,051 acres which he held in Ohio but lost by conflicting grants made under the authority of the United States.

SAKOLSKI, A. M. The great American land bubble. 373 p., illus.
New York and London, Harper & Bros. 1932. (254)

Contents to be noted:

Washington's land interests in the West, p. 4-12, 14.

The Washington, D.C. boom, p. 150-157.

Yazoo land troubles, p. 127-132, 138.

SHOWALTER, WILLIAM JOSEPH. The travels of George Washington;
dramatic episodes in his career as the first geographer
of the United States. Natl. Geogr. Mag. 61:1-63, illus.
January 1932. (255)

Contents to be noted:

Washington's early surveying experiences.

Washington in the French and Indian War.

Washington and the Revolution.

Washington and the Western Waters.

Washington and the Potomac Navigation Company's Canal.

Washington and the "Adventurers for draining the Dismal
Swamp."

SINDLINGER, EDMOND S. Washington and the Ohio in 1770, as seen by
a voyager in 1932. Ohio Archaeological and Hist. Quart.
42:57-71. January 1933. (256)

Comments:

The George Washington Bicentennial River Pageant as
recorded by one of the voyagers. See also Citation 223.

SMITH, GUY-HAROLD. George Washington at the Great Bend of the
Ohio River. Ohio Archaeological and Hist. Quart. 41:555-567,
maps. October 1932. (257)

——— Washington's camp sites along the Ohio River. Ohio
Archaeological and Hist. Quart. 41:1-19. January 1932. (258)

STERLING, PETER R. Washington— boy adventurer. Natl. Repub.
19:24-25, 43, illus. September 1931. (259)

Comments:

His surveying trip at sixteen years of age.

U.S. CONGRESS. HOUSE. COMMITTEE ON PRIVATE LAND CLAIMS. Estate of Gen. George Washington. House of representatives, Committee on private land claims... May 16, 1910. [Hearing on H.R. 13018]. 42 p. [Washington, Govt. Print. Off. 1910]. (260)

Comments:

"Statement of Lawrence Washington on bill H.R. 13013, to reimburse the estate for certain lands in the state of Ohio lost by conflicting grants made under the authority of the United States. Also, other papers, including Résumé of facts and argument by Robert E. Lee, Jr., administrator de bonis non of George Washington, and hearings and report of the House Committee on claims, 60th Congress, 2d sess., on House bill 5489."

----- Estate of Gen. George Washington... Report to accompany H.R. 5266.(U.S. 61st Cong., 3d sess. House Rpt. 2179.) 7 p. [Washington, Govt. Print. Off. 1911]. (261)

Comments:

Report on a bill to reimburse the heirs of George Washington for the loss of his lands in the State of Ohio. Includes statement of Hon. Robert E. Lee, Jr.

VOLWILER, ALBERT TANGEMAN. George Croghan and the westward movement, 1741-1782. 370 p. Cleveland, Arthur H. Clark Co. 1926. (262)

Comments:

The book contains scattered references to Washington's interest in the West. See the index.

WALCOTT, CHARLES D. Washington as an explorer and surveyor. Pop. Sci. Mo. 57:323-324. July 1900. (263)

WARREN, DON S. Washington as land owner and business leader. Sunday Star (Washington, D. C.) Feb. 21, 1932, p. 11, 23. (264)

WASHINGTON, George. George Washington to his brother Charles. Miss. Valley Hist. Rev. 1:98-101. June 1914. (265)

Comments:

A letter written from Mount Vernon, Jan. 31, 1770, which throws some light on Washington's interest in western land speculation.

WILSON, SAMUEL M. George Washington's contacts with Kentucky.
Filson Club Hist. Quart. 6:213-250. July 1932. (266)

——— Washington's relations to Tennessee and Kentucky. East
Tenn. Hist. Soc. Pubs. (5):3-21. January 1933. (267)

WITTKE, CARL F. George Washington und seine Zeit. (Deutsche
Akademie, Schriften der Länderausschüsse, Band 1) 193 p.
Bremen, G. A. v. Halem. 1933. (268)

Contents to be noted:

Washington als Prophet eines grösseren Amerika, p. 151-172.

Reviews:

M. L. Hansen, in Miss. Valley Hist. Rev. 21:87-88
(June 1934).

SEE ALSO Citations 4, 17, 43, 5862, 110, 254, 284, 287.

WASHINGTON'S INTEREST IN INTERNAL IMPROVEMENTS

- ARIZA, JOHN FRANCIS. Dismal Swamp in legend and history. Natl. Geogr. Mag. 62:120-130, illus. July 1932. (269)
Comments:
Washington owned large tracts in this region which he described as a "glorious paradise."
- BACON-FOSTER, MRS. CORRA. Early chapters in the development of the Potomac route to the west. Washington, D. C., Columbia Hist. Soc. Records 15:95-322, illus. 1912. (270)
Contents to be noted:
The Ohio Company, 1748-1785; Vandalia Company; the Ballandine scheme, p. 96-123.
The Patowmack Company, 1785-1828; from its unpublished records by permission of the trustees of the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal Company, and from contemporary papers, p. 123-322.
Reviews:
Archer Butler Hulbert, in Amer. Hist. Rev. 18:401-402 (January 1913).
- BECK, JAMES M. The political philosophy of George Washington. (U.S. 70th Cong., 2d Sess. House Doc. 611). 28 p. Washington, U.S. Govt. Print. Off. 1929. (271)
Comments:
See p. 10-15 for Washington's interest in "progressive improvements of interior communication of land and water," the emphasis being on the Potomac route to the Ohio Valley.
The first half of this address appeared with the title "Washington, Empire Builder," in Natl. Repub. 17 (5):22-23, 46-47 (September 1929). The last ten paragraphs of the article contain the material on improving communication.
- DAVIS, JOHN W. Washington and the Patowmack company. Daughters of the Amer. Revolution Mag. 63:601-609, illus. October 1929. (272)
Comments:
History of the "Patowmack Company" organized in 1784 with the idea of using the Potomac River as an avenue of transportation to the West.
- DOUGLASS, WILLIAM BOONE. Washington as an engineer. Prof. Engin. 15 (1):17-23, illus. January 1930. (273)

DOWNES, RANDOLPH C. Trade in Frontier Ohio. Miss. Valley Hist. Rev. 16:467-494. March 1930.

(274)

Contents to be noted:

p. 467-469 relate to "George Washington who, with unusual foresight, perceived the necessity of developing, at an early date, the communication between the East and the West."

DUNAWAY, WAYLAND FULLER. History of the James River and Kanawha Company. 253 p. New York. 1922.

(275)

Contents to be noted:

Origin of the conception of connecting Virginia with the West, p. 9-20.

The James River Company as a private corporation (1785-1820), p. 21-47.

Comments:

"The James River and Kanawha Company was Virginia's bid for the western trade, and the works that it constructed, of which the canal was only a part, formed the chief commercial artery of the state in ante bellum times. As such it is entitled to have its story told, and the purpose is to tell it not so much from the point of view of an agency of transportation as from that of a great ideal conceived by Washington, fostered by Marshall, and partially carried out by Cabell and his successors."- Preface.

DYESS, GEORGE ALEXANDER MCKALLIP. Washington, Pittsburgh and inland navigation. Ohio Archaeological and Hist. Quart. 22:10-16. January 1913.

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Comments:

An account of the Potomac canal enterprise.

"May we not then say that the man to whom this section was a matter of anxious concern from his earliest manhood to his latest years, who dreamed this scheme of inland navigation, who planned the canal yet to be between Lake Erie and Pittsburg, who built the first grist mill west of the Alleghenies, who first experimented with western Pennsylvania coal, may well be called the Father of Pittsburgh and of inland navigation."

GRANT, U.S., 3d. Washington as engineer and city builder. (Honor to George Washington ser., edited by Albert Bushnell Hart. Pamphlet 13). 60 p., illus. Washington, D.C., U.S. George Washington Bicentennial Comm. 1951?

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GRANT, U.S., 3d. Continued.

Contents to be noted:

In Part 1, George Washington, Engineer, the topics are as follows: Washington's choice of a profession; his technical education; his early military training; his mission to the French; Washington as a military engineer; his agricultural engineering; his interest in power boats; his interest in aeronautics; his interest in submarines; Washington, pioneer drainage engineer; the Ohio Company (1747-1754); the proposed Mississippi Company (1763); search for a transmontane water route; the Potomac Canal project; construction of the Potomac Canal; the James River canal project; water routes and a more perfect union; the engineer as a nation builder.

Part 2, George Washington, city builder.

Selected authorities, p. 59-60.

Comments:

Reprinted in History of the George Washington Bicentennial Celebration, 1:150-165, illus. (Washington, D.C., U.S. George Washington Bicentennial Comm., 1932).

GROSSMAN, EDWARD. George Washington, engineer. Jour. Boston Soc.

Civil Engin. 19:71-97, illus. March 1932.

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Contents to be noted:

Introductory remarks, p. 71-72.

Washington's training with emphasis on his interest in mathematics and the textbook then popular, The Young Man's Companion or Arithmetick Made Easy, p. 72-83.

Washington's early surveying activities, p. 83-90.

Washington as an agricultural engineer, p. 91-93.

Washington as a land developer, p. 93.

Washington's interest in opening navigable streams, p. 94-96.

Bibliography, p. 97.

HAY, JAMES, JR. George Washington, engineer. Power Plant Engin.

(Chicago) 35:765-766, illus. July 15, 1931.

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Comments:

Washington's interest in the Potomac Company is summarized.

The article is given with the same title in Lit. Digest 110:26 (Sept. 26, 1931).

——— George Washington, southern industrialist. Manfrs. Rec.

99 (8):24. Feb. 19, 1931.

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HENDERSON, ARCHIBALD. The Dismal Swamp canal. News and Observer

(Raleigh, N.C.) Dec. 23, 1934, Jan. 6, 20, 1935.

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HENDERSON, ARCHIBALD. George Washington and the Dismal Swamp project.
News and Observer (Raleigh, N.C.) Oct. 14, 1934. (282)

HERZBERG, MAX J. George Washington, man of affairs; facts that reveal
the father of his country as not only a great general, a great
statesman, a great patriot, but as also the leader of the
American community of his time in practical matters. 15 p.
Newark, N.J., Colonial Trust Co. 1929. (283)

Contents to be noted:

The many-sided Washington, p. 3-4.
The unknown Washington, p. 4-5.
Washington, the business man, p. 5-7.
Washington's commercial vision, p. 7-10.
Washington a leader of business, p. 10-11.

HULBERT, ARCHER BUTLER. The paths of inland commerce; a chronicle
of trail, road, and waterway. (Chronicles of America, edited
by Allen Johnson, v. 21). 211 p., map. New Haven, Yale Univ.
Press. [etc.] 1920. (284)

Contents to be noted:

The man who caught the vision, p. 1-13.

——— Pilots of the Republic; the romance of the pioneer promoter
in the middle west. 368 p., illus. Chicago, A.C. McClurg &
Co. 1906. (285)

Contents to be noted:

Introductory; the brother of the sword, p. 21-36.
Washington: the promoter of western investments (Washington's
prescience of the increased value of land in the West; diary of
his tour in the basin of the Ohio; his plans for the commercial
development of the West; his character as manifested in his
letters, diaries, and memoranda; his military advancement by
the influence of Lord Fairfax; he serves at Fort Necessity,
"The Bloody Ford," and Fort Duquesne; marriage and settlement at
Mount Vernon; his device for taking up more land than the law
allowed to one man; Washington not connected with any of the
great land companies; his efforts to secure for his soldiers
the bounty-land promised them; his sixth journey to view his
own purchases; the amount of his landed property; his leniency
toward poor tenants; the intensity of his business energy; the
present value of his lands; his dissatisfaction with the results
of his land speculations; his plan of American internal improve-
ments; the treaty that secured to Virginia the territory south
of the Ohio; Washington's personal inspection of the basins of
the Ohio and Potomac; he becomes president of the Potomac
Company; a waterway secured from the Ohio to the Potomac; the
national road from Cumberland, Md., to Wheeling, on the Ohio),
p. 37-80.

HULBERT, ARCHER BUTLER. Washington; the promoter and prophet.

Chautauquan 38:149-154, illus. October 1903.

(286)

Comments:

Washington's efforts to promote improved transportation facilities between the Atlantic coast and the "rising empire" west of the Alleghenies.

——— Washington's road (Nemacolin's path); The first chapter in the old French war. (Historic Highways of America, v. 3). 215 p., maps. Cleveland, Ohio, Arthur H. Clark Co. 1903.

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Contents to be noted:

Ch. 1, Washington and the West, p. 15-39. P. 25-39 are in the author's article on "The Debt of the West to Washington," in Ohio Archaeological and Hist. Quart. 9:205-213, maps (October 1900).

Ch. 4, The Virginia Governor's envoy, p. 85-119.

Ch. 5, The Virginia regiment, p. 120-138.

Ch. 6, The chain of federal union, p. 189-215.

Comments:

Chapters 4-5 and the first ten pages of ch. 1 were printed in the author's Colonel Washington (Marietta, Ohio, 1902). Its contents are arranged under the headings: A Prologue, The Governor's Envoy; The Story of the Campaign; Fort Necessity and Its Hero.

JAMES, G. WATSON, JR. Washington the engineer. Sons of the Revolution in the State of Virginia, Quart. Mag. 1 (4):25-34. October 1922.

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JOYCE, BLANCHE M. George Washington as a surveyor and rural engineer. U.S. Dept. Agr. Ext. Serv. Off. Coop. Ext. Work release. 4 p., mimeographed. [1932].

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KELLEY, M. A. R. George Washington- America's first agricultural engineer. Agr. Engin. 13:29-30, illus. February 1932.

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Comments:

The illustrations include views of Washington's first engineering office on the Ferry Farm, Fredericksburg, Va., Washington's office "while building the Chesapeake & Ohio canal," located on M Street in Washington, D. C., and his headquarters while building Fort Loudon at Winchester, Va.

KITE, ELIZABETH S., compiler. L'Enfant and Washington, 1791-1792; published and unpublished documents now brought together for the first time... Introduction by J. J. Jusserand; foreword by Charles Moore. (Historical documents. Institut français de Washington. cahier 3.) 182 p., illus. Baltimore, Johns Hopkins Press. 1929.

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Comments:

Documents by L'Enfant, Washington, Jefferson, and others, concerning L'Enfant's plan and the laying out of the city of Washington; also a copy of the plan.

Reviews:

O. M. Dickerson, in Miss. Valley Hist. Rev. 16:406-407 (December 1929).

LEFFMAN, HENRY. George Washington as an engineer. Engin. Club of Philadelphia Proc. 21:277-295, illus. October 1904.

(292)

Comments:

Also reprinted and distributed separately. A brief summary with same title in Engin. Rec., 50:755 (Dec. 24, 1904), and in Sci. Amer. Sup., 59:24235 (Jan. 21, 1905).

MARSHALL, JOHN. The life of George Washington. 5 v. Philadelphia. 1805-1807.

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Contents to be noted:

5:12-24 for a discussion of Washington's interest in opening and improving the inland navigation of the rivers of Virginia.

Comments:

"The...biography moves perspicuously and in a stately fashion. It is the product of a first-rate mind, but it is of interest rather for its authorship than for its subject, which is to say that the unpretentious Parson Weems has a more facile grip upon the attention of the reader than the ponderous John Marshall can approximate."- L. M. Sears, in his George Washington.

NELSON, JAMES POYNTZ. The James River and Kanawha canal. Sons of the Revolution in the State of Va., Quart. Mag. 1 (1):24-32. January 1922.

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NELSON, R. F. Visiting Great Dismal Swamp. Natl. Repub. 18 (2): 18-20, illus. June 1930.

(295)

Comments:

"This wilderness primeval, home of the bear and wildcat, contains George Washington's greatest engineering feat, recently acquired by Uncle Sam."

NELSON, THOMAS FORSYTHE. Washington's canal around the Great Falls of the Potomac. Records of the Past (Washington, D.C.) 9:23-30, illus. January-February 1910. (296)

Comments:

The rise and decline of the canal. Also printed separately.

NUTE, GRACE L., ed. Washington and the Potomac; manuscripts of the Minnesota Historical Society. Amer. Hist. Rev. 28:497-519, 705-722. April-July 1923. (297)

Comments:

Reprints of documents relating to the opening of navigation on the Potomac River. They are of value for the economic history of Maryland and Virginia in the second half of the eighteenth century, and for the antecedents and activities of the Potomac Company.

PEEBLES, ANNE BRADBURY. George Washington's adventure in Great Dismal Swamp. Sunday Star (Washington, D.C.) Feb. 21, 1932, p. 24-25. (298)

PETERSON, ARTHUR G. The old Alexandria-Georgetown canal and Potomac aqueduct. Va. Mag. Hist. and Biogr. 40:307-316. October 1932. (299)

PHILLIPS, P[HILIP] LEE. Washington as surveyor and map-maker. Daughters of the Amer. Revolution Mag. 55:115-132, illus. March 1921. (300)

PICKELL, JOHN. A new chapter in the early life of Washington in connection with the narrative history of the Potomac Company. 178 p. New York, D. Appleton & Co. 1856. (301)

Comments:

A study of Washington's interest in connecting the East and the West by providing improved communication between the Potomac and Ohio valleys. The author was a member of the board of directors of the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal Company, in whose office all the original papers, books, records, and notes belonging to the Potomac Company were deposited.

RANDALL, EMILIUS OVIATT. Washington and Ohio. Ohio Mag. 2:121-133. February 1907. (302)

Comments:

Also in Ohio Archaeological and Hist. Soc. Pubs. 16:477-501 (October 1907).

SCHLESINGER, ARTHUR M. "G. Washington, Mt. Vernon, Va." Harvard Graduates' Mag. 40:215-224. March 1932. (303)

Comments:

An address delivered before the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, Feb. 10, 1932. Special attention is given to Washington as civil engineer and scientific farmer. There are paragraphs on his surveys, his interest in canals, his efforts to reclaim swamp lands, and his encouragement of mechanically propelled boats.

SMITH, ROLLIN E. In canal days; Washington's experiment. Northwest. Miller 121:41-42, 52. Jan. 7, 1920. (304)

Comments:

Washington's interest in a commercial route between tide-water on the Potomac and the Ohio Valley, and especially the canal around the Great Falls of the Potomac which he sponsored.

STEWART, ANDREW. Chesapeake and Ohio Canal. (U.S. 19th Cong., 1st Sess. House Rpt. 228.) 122 p., map. Washington, 1826. (305)

TONER, JOSEPH MEREDITH. George Washington as an inventor and promoter of the useful arts. 69 p. [Washington, D.C., Gedney & Roberts Co. 1892]. (306)

Comments:

Reprinted from Proceedings of the Patent Centennial Congress... in Washington, D. C., Apr. 8-10, 1891.

See also the same author's article, "Washington as a Promoter of Inventions," in Mag. Amer. Hist. 25:496-500 (June 1891).

UPHAM, WARREN. Washington's canoe trip down the Potomac related in a letter to Colonel Innes. Records of the Past (Washington, D.C.) 9:74-79, illus. March-April 1910. (307)

Comments:

A description of the Potomac River with comment on its navigation. "The survey narrated in this letter was one of the seeds which long afterward fruited in the unremunerative rock-hewn canal and locks constructed past the Great Falls on their Virginia side, and still later in the successful Chesapeake and Ohio canal adjoining the Maryland side of the Potomac."

VIRGINIA. LAWS, STATUTES, ETC. The statutes at large...of Virginia... edited by William Waller Hening. Richmond. 1823. (308)

VIRGINIA. LAWS, STATUTES, ETC. Continued.

Contents to be noted:

11:510-525. A law authorizing the formation of a company to proceed, in cooperation with a company authorized by Maryland, with the "extension of the navigation of the Potomack from tide water to the highest place practicable on the North Branch."

11:525-526. An act authorizing the treasurer of the State of Virginia to subscribe, in the name of George Washington, for fifty shares in the Potomac Company and 100 shares in the James River Company.

WASHINGTON, GEORGE. Washington and the Dismal Swamp canal. Tyler's Quart. Hist. and Genealogical Mag. 4:114-116. 1922.

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Comments:

Copy of a letter dated Nov. 30, 1785, relating to the canal.

— The writings of George Washington relating to the national capital. Columbia Hist. Soc. Rec. 17:3-232. 1914.

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Comments:

The sources of the material here given are for the most part the manuscripts in the Library of Congress, the manuscript records of the early board of city commissioners in the office of the commissioner of public buildings and grounds and the papers relating to the District preserved in the Department of State.

Reviews:

Amer. Hist. Rev. 20:207-208 (October 1914).

[WASHINGTON, GEORGE AUGUSTINE]. Washington's ferry on the Potomac.

Tyler's Quart. Hist. and Genealogical Mag. 9:39-41. July 1927. (311)

Comments:

A copy of a petition in behalf of George Washington to the General Assembly of Virginia, Oct. 10, 1790.

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